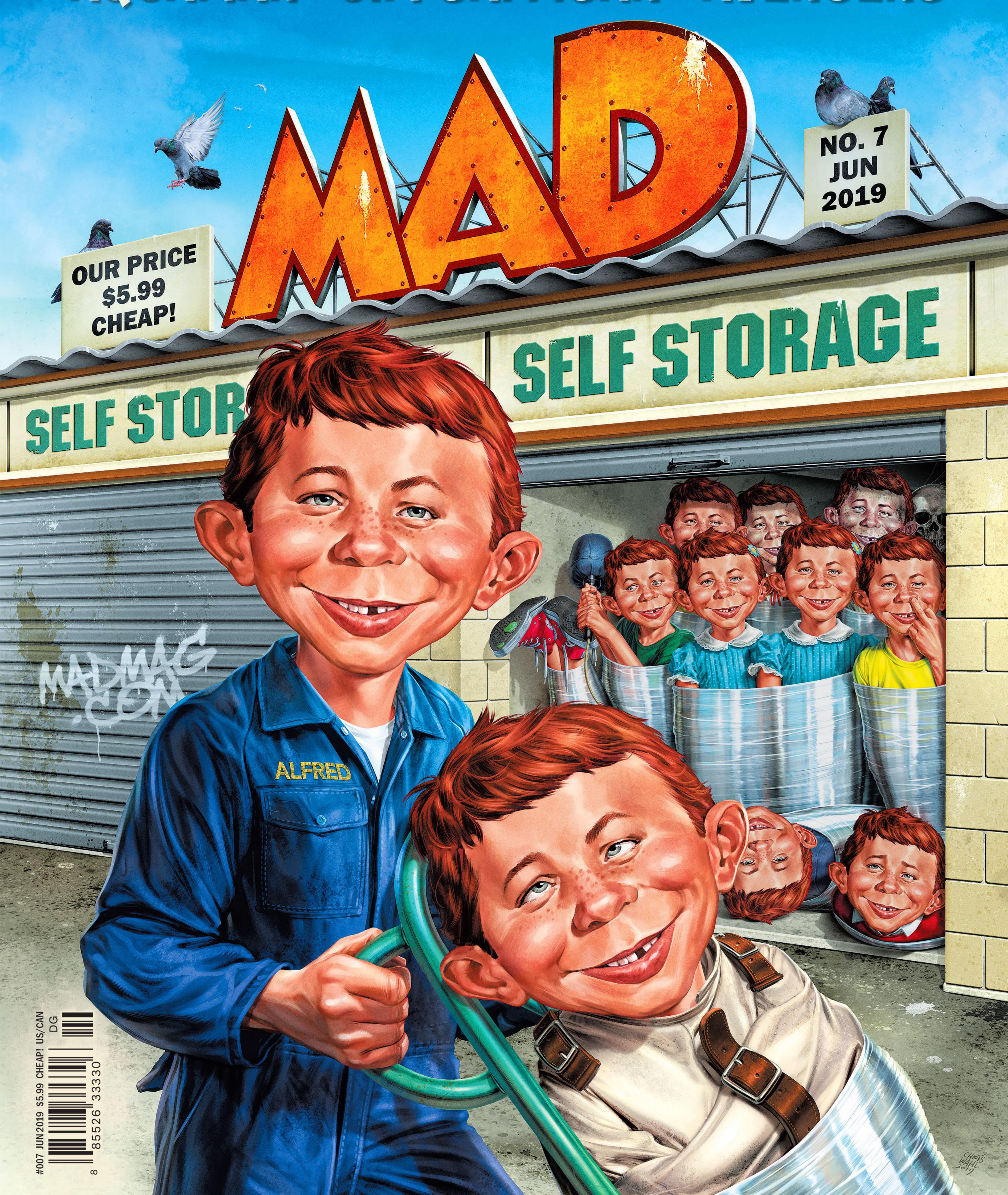
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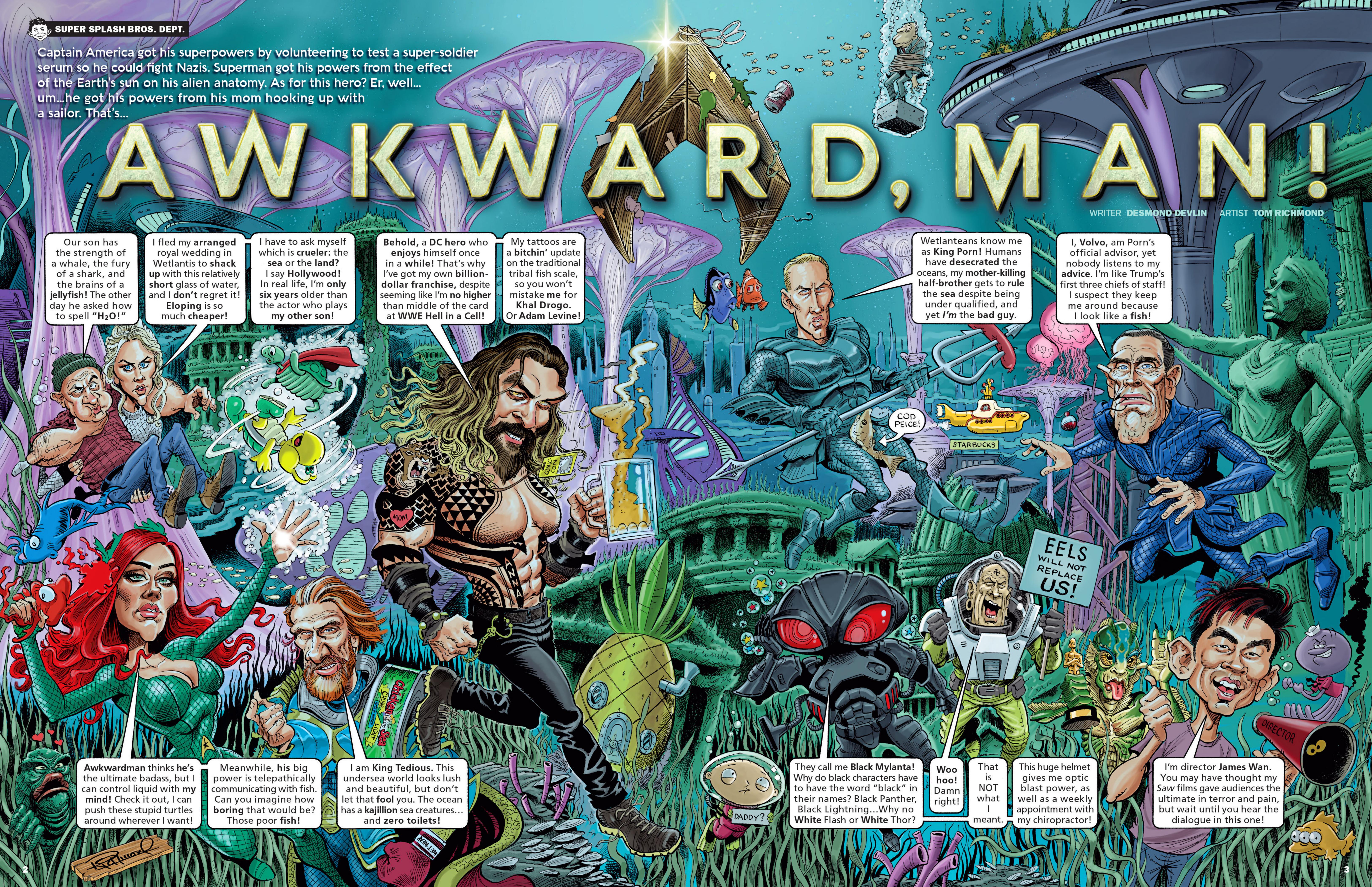
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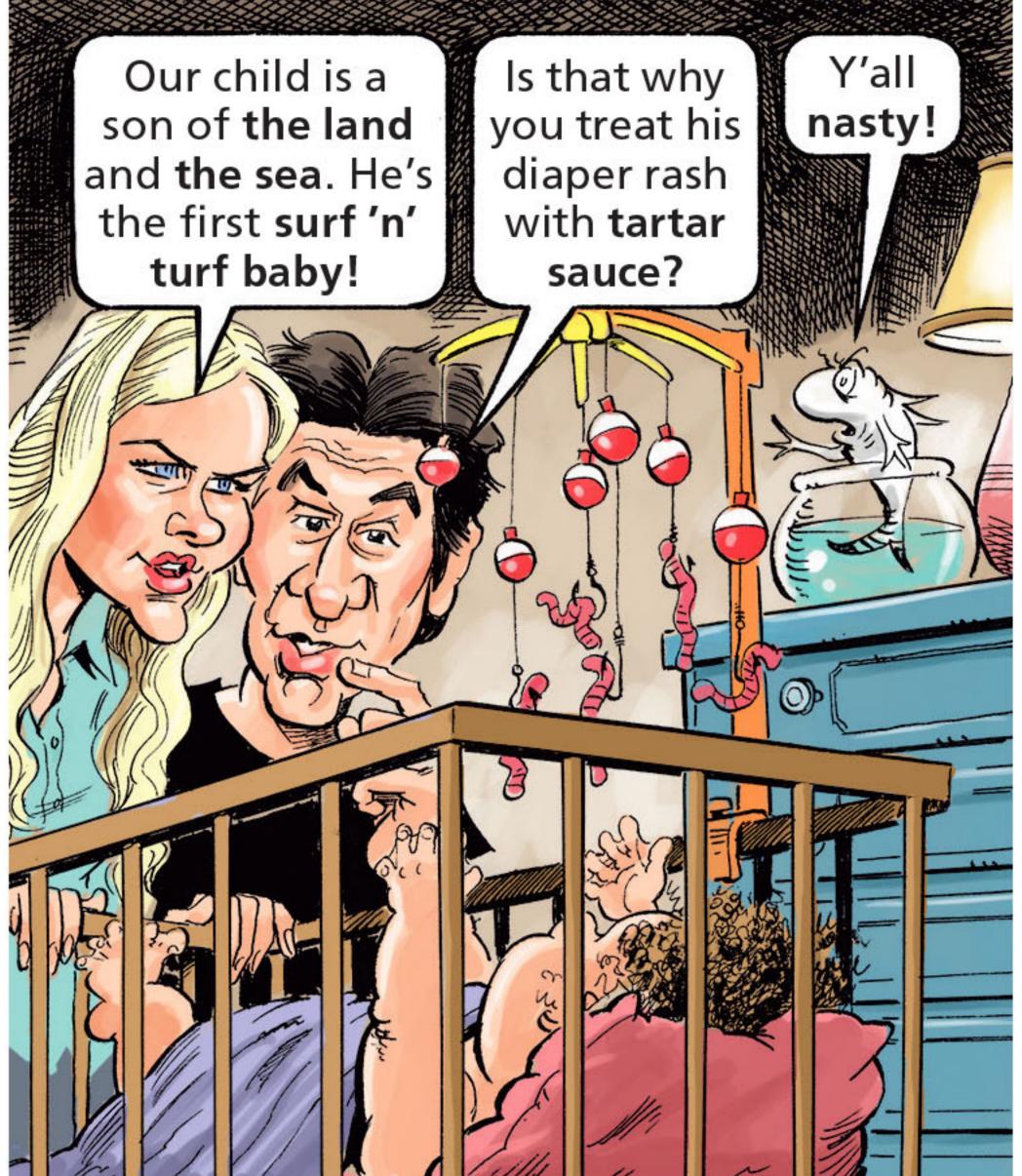
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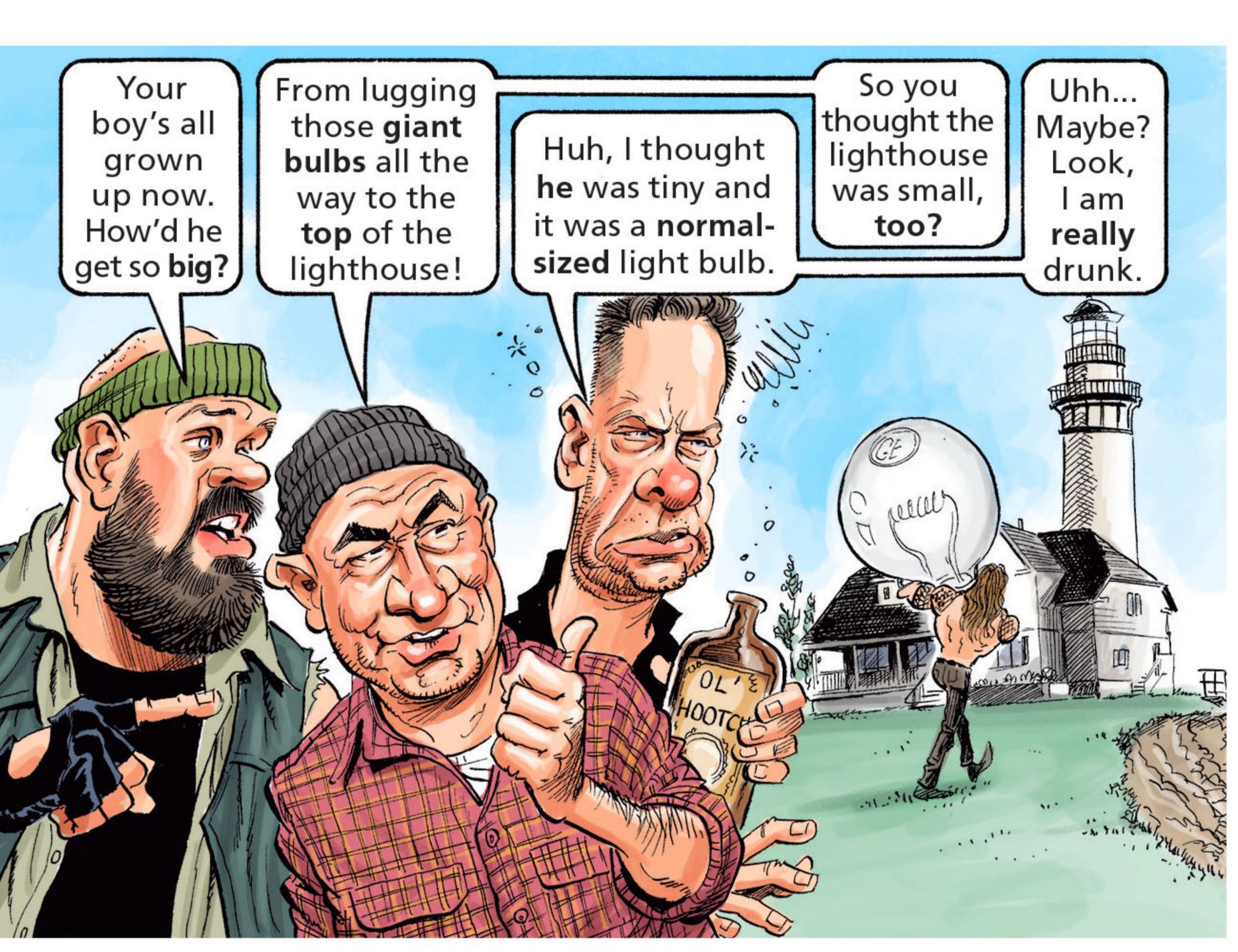


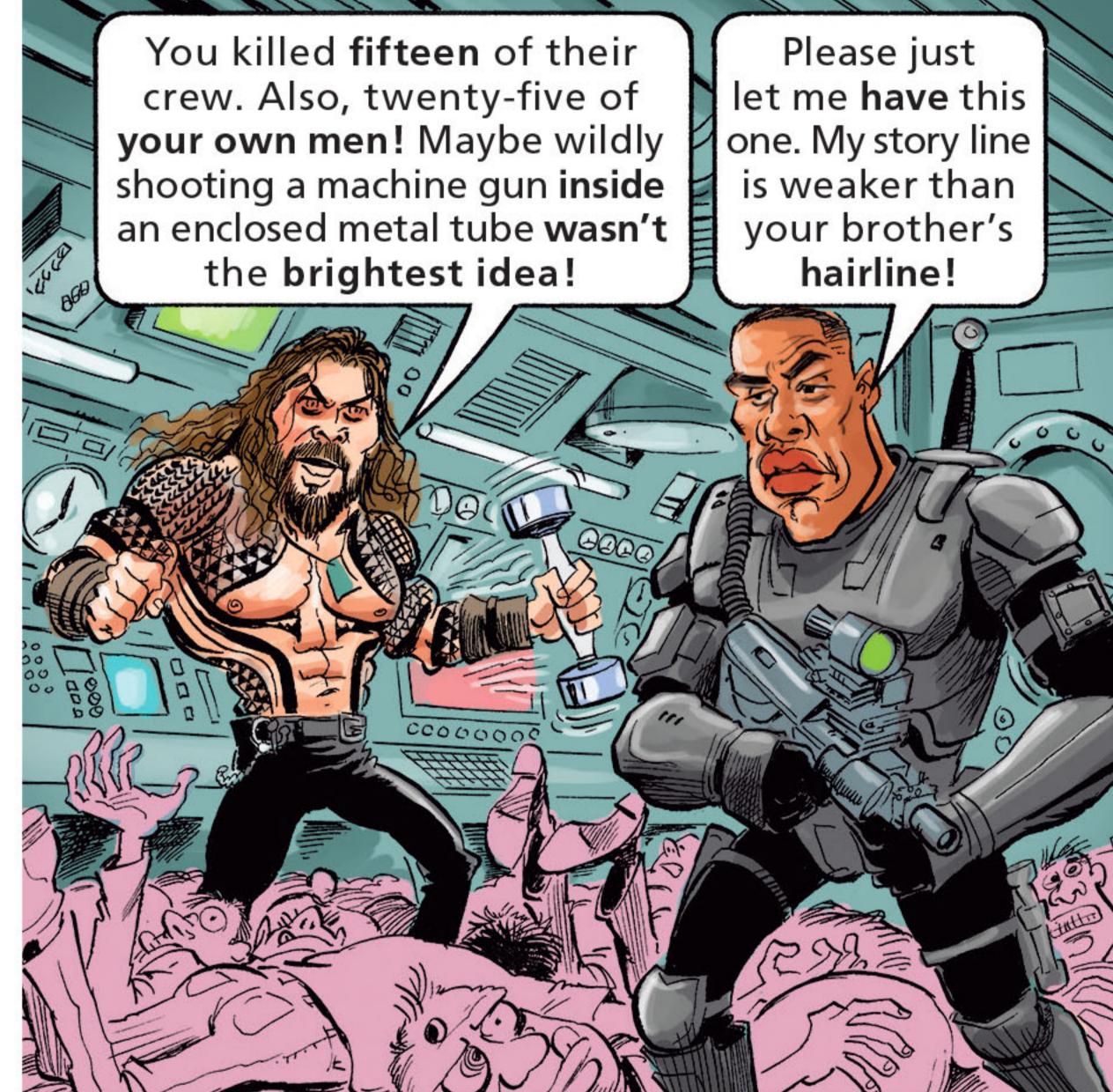


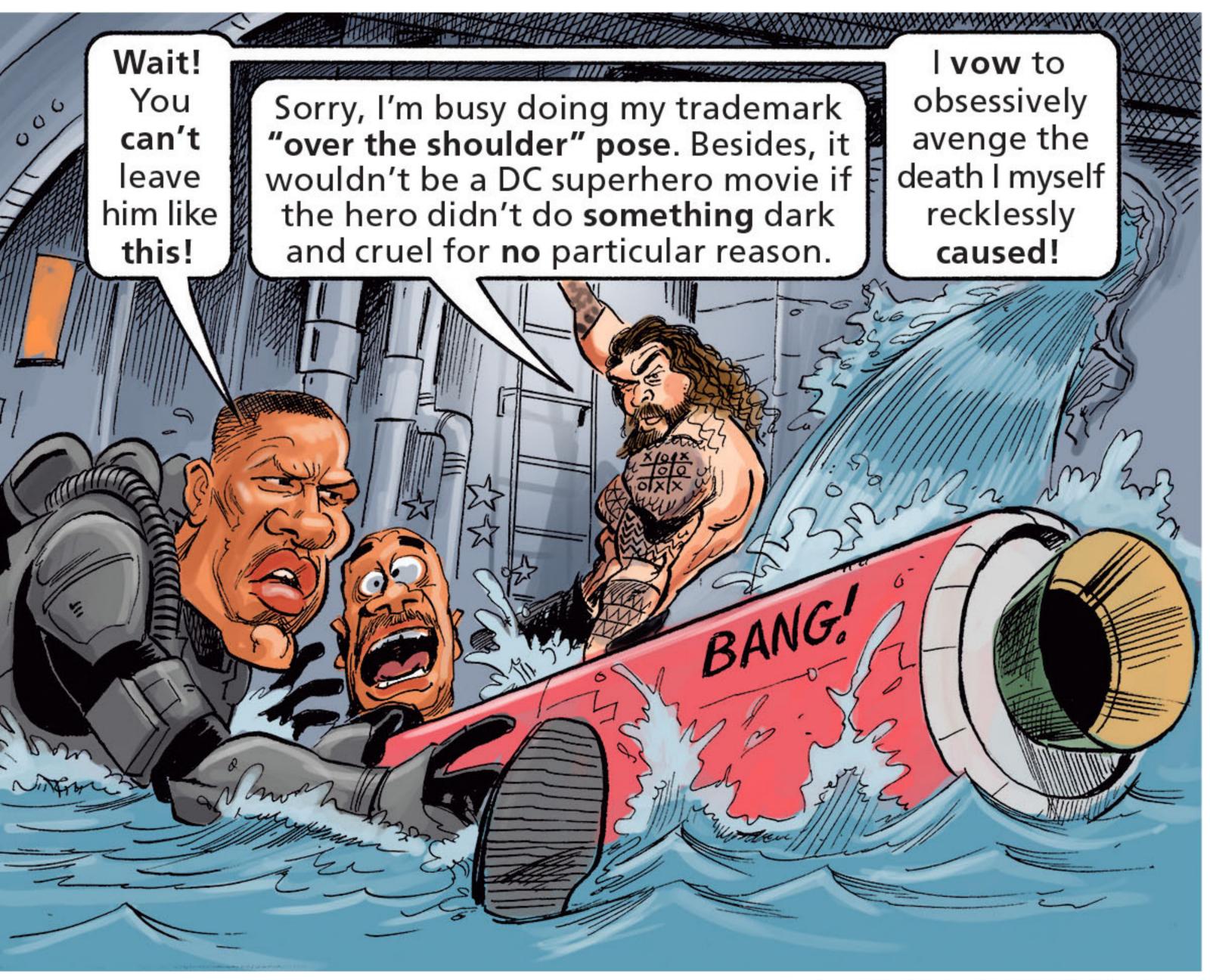




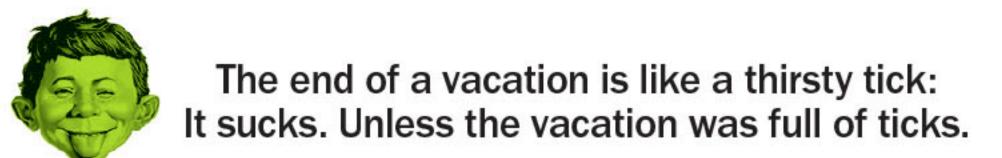


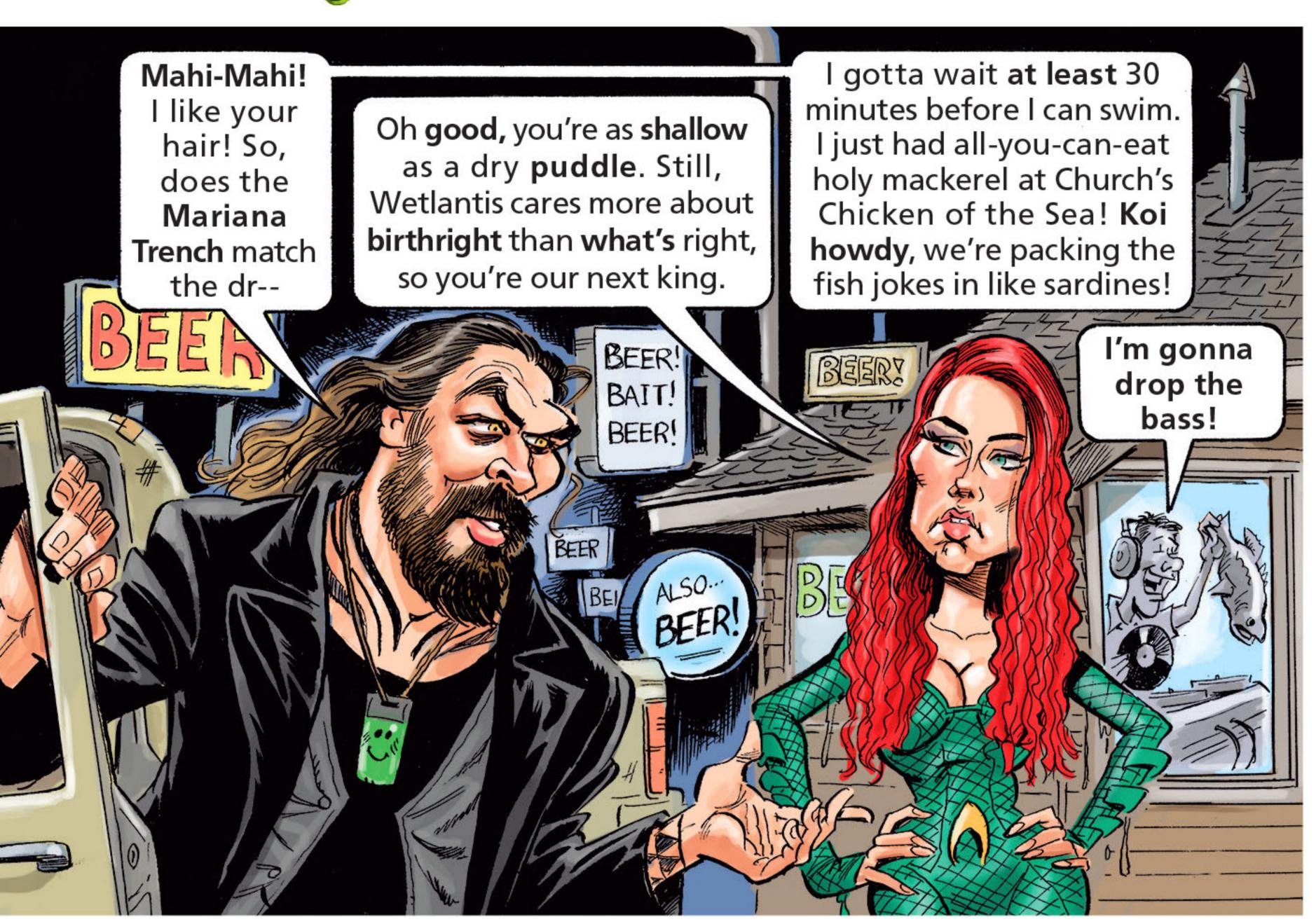






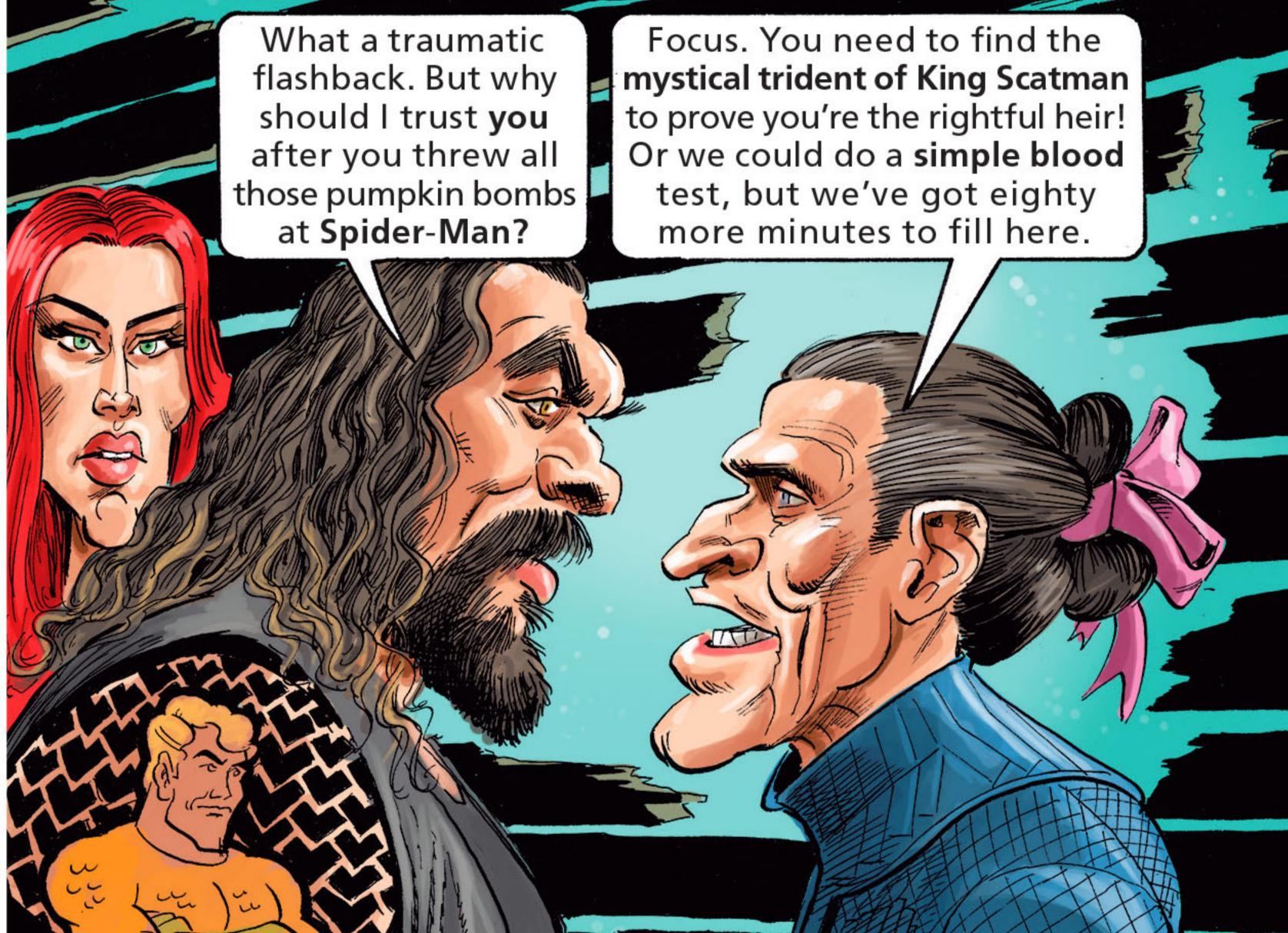














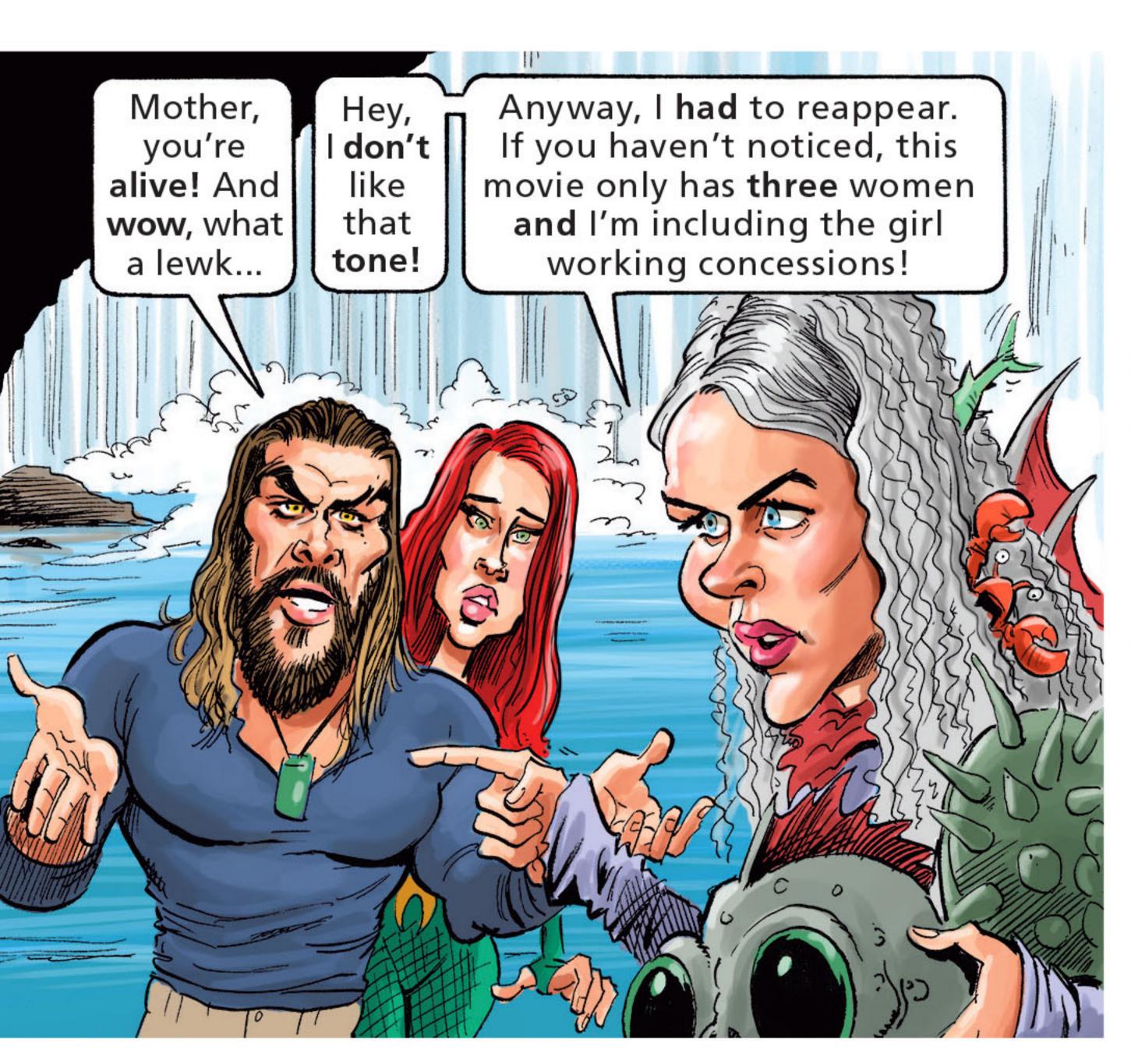


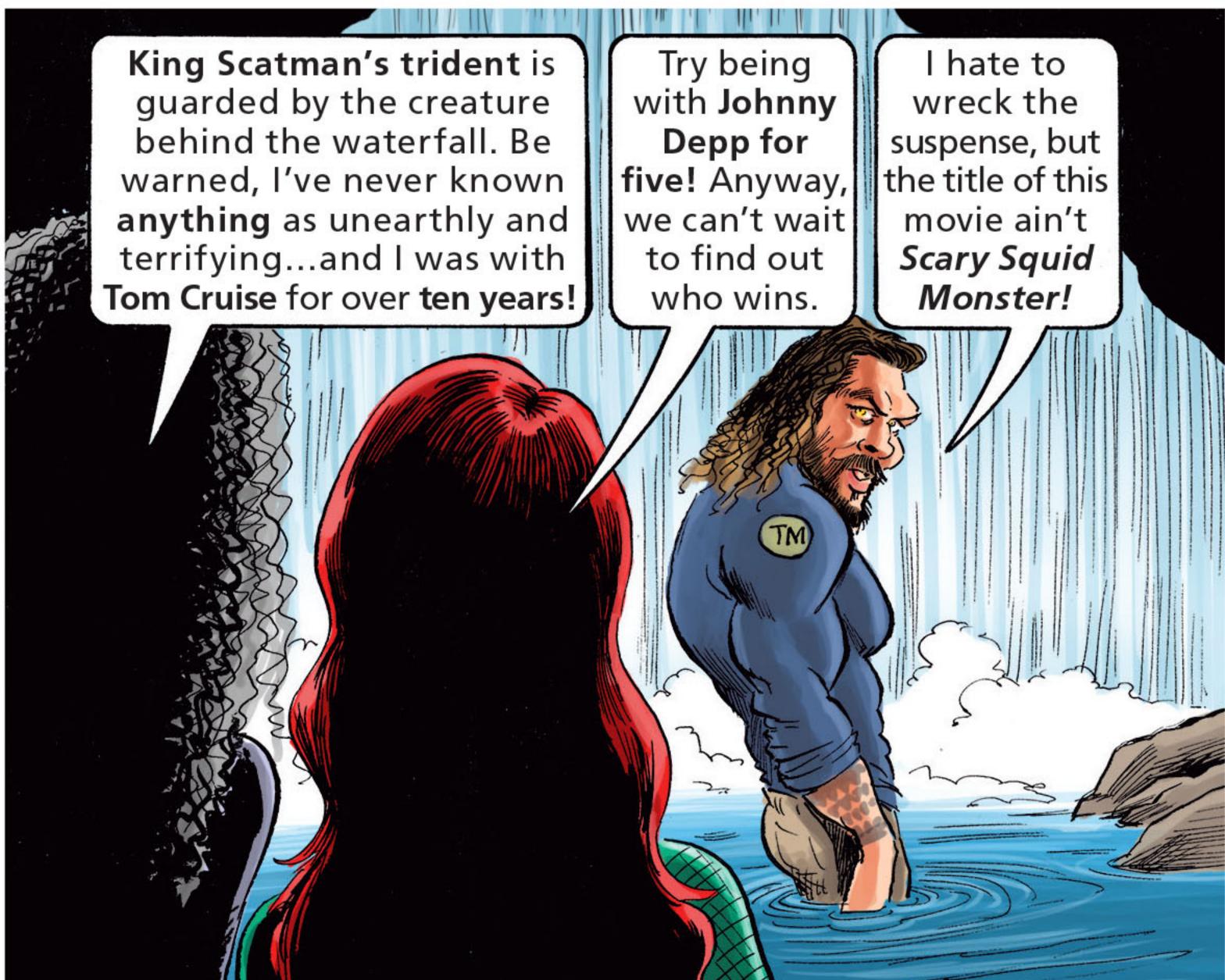




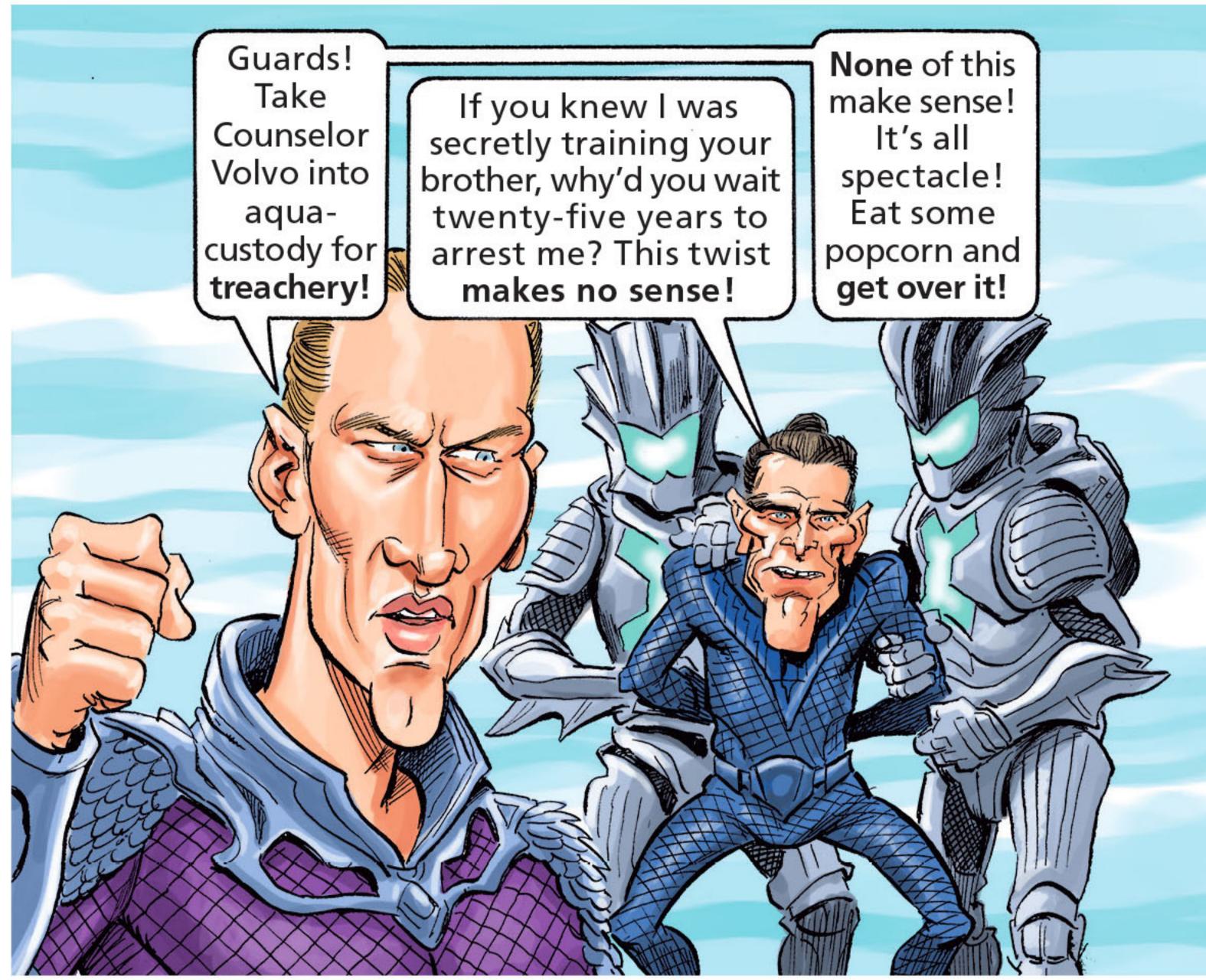




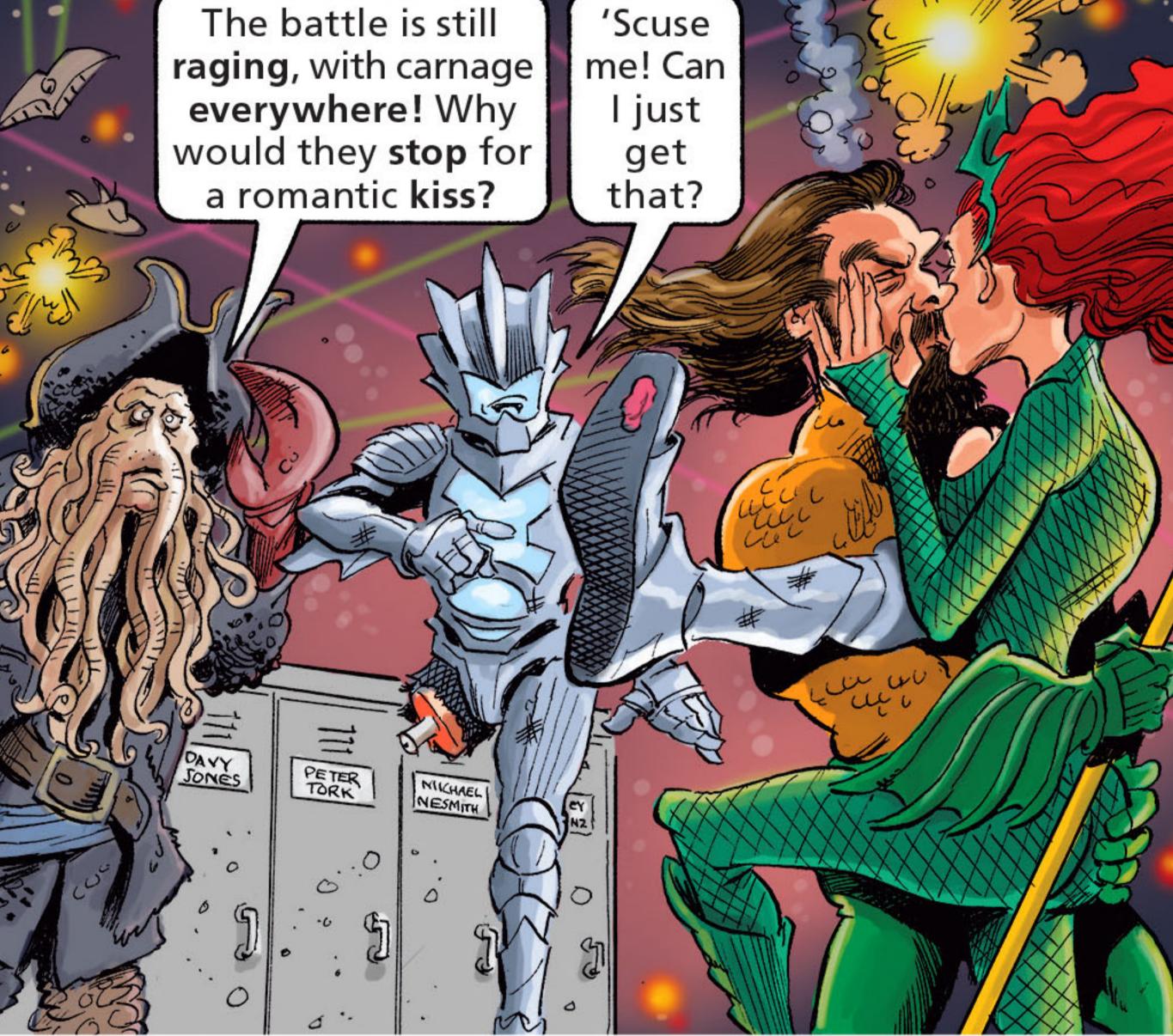


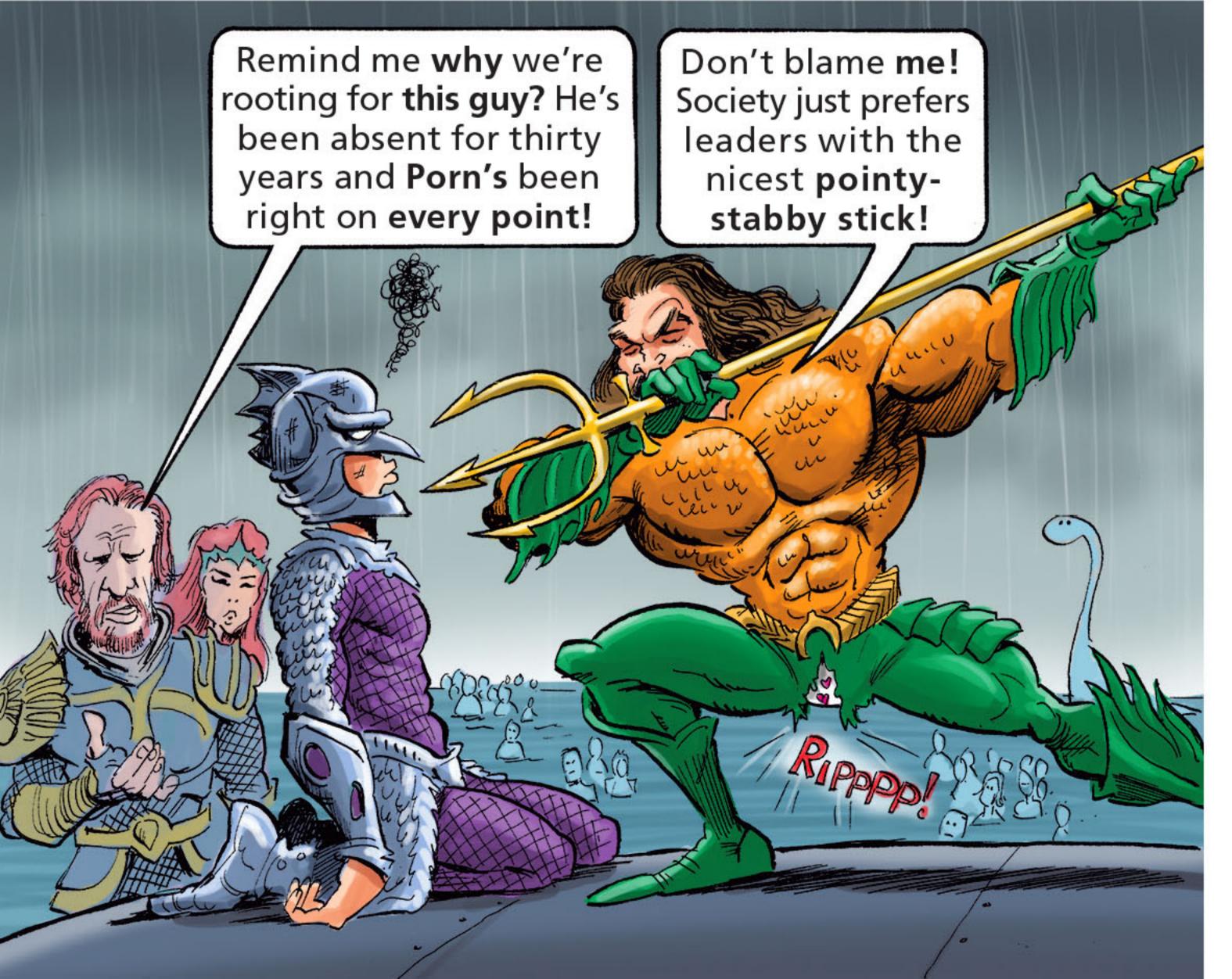


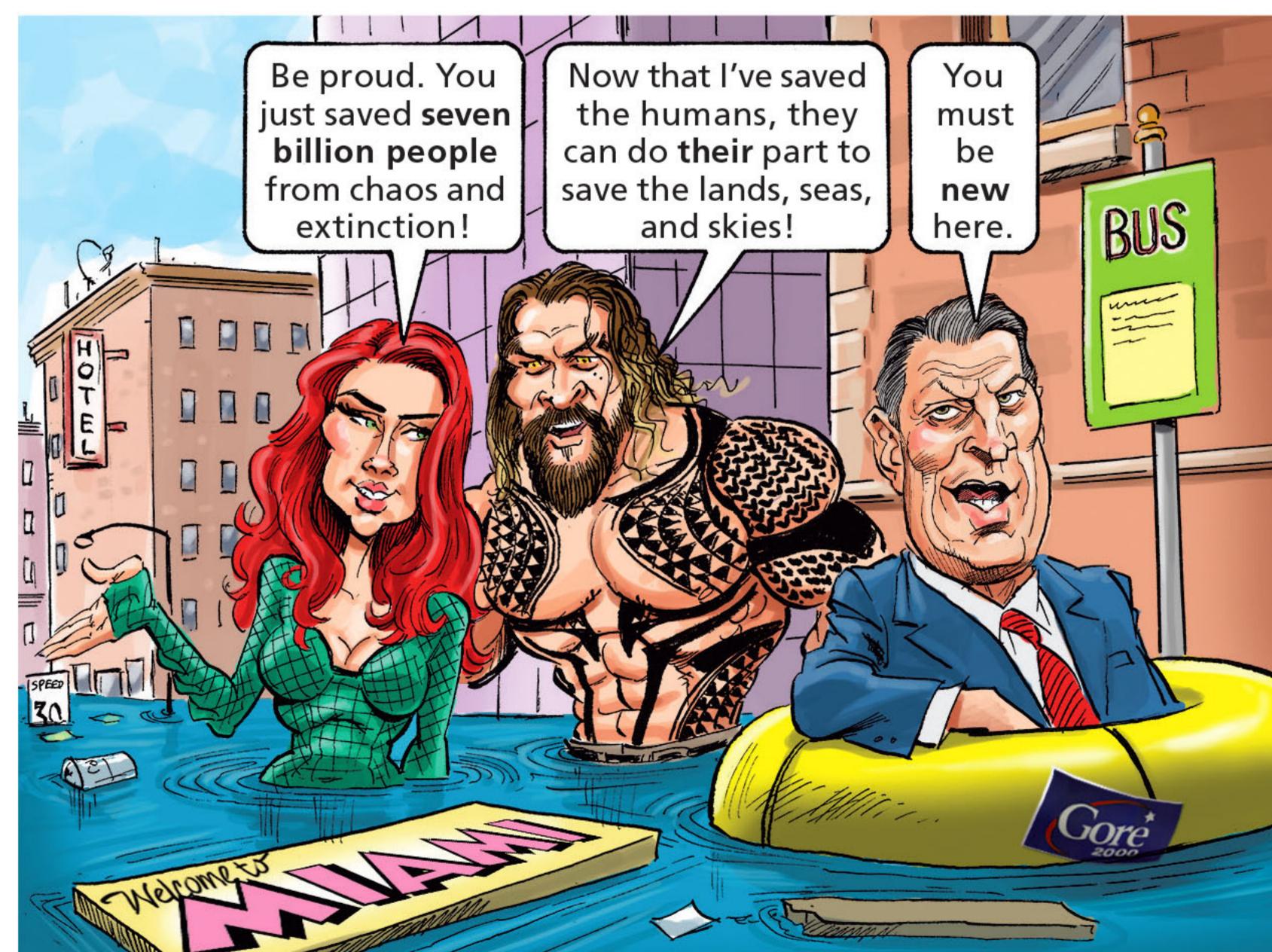




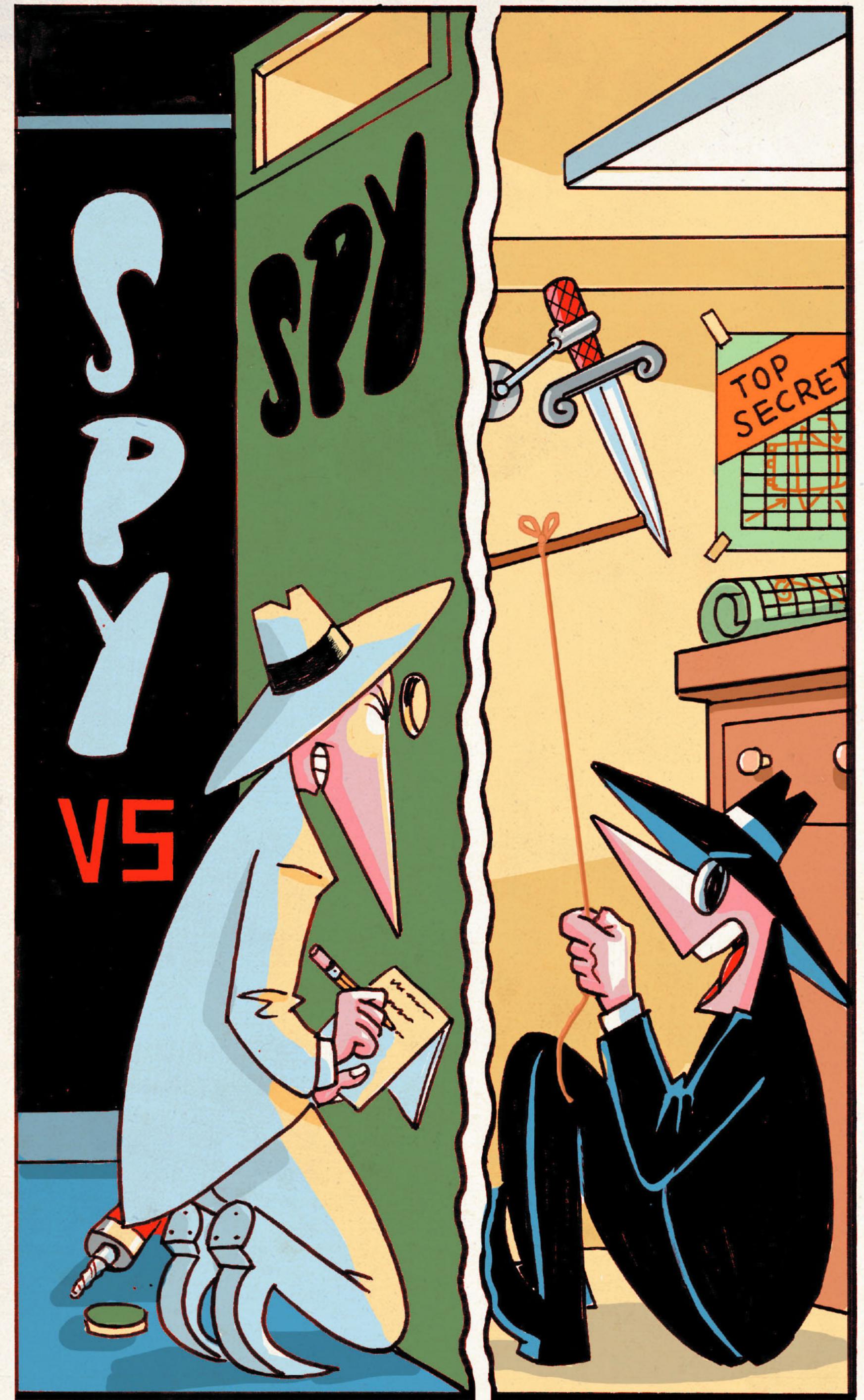


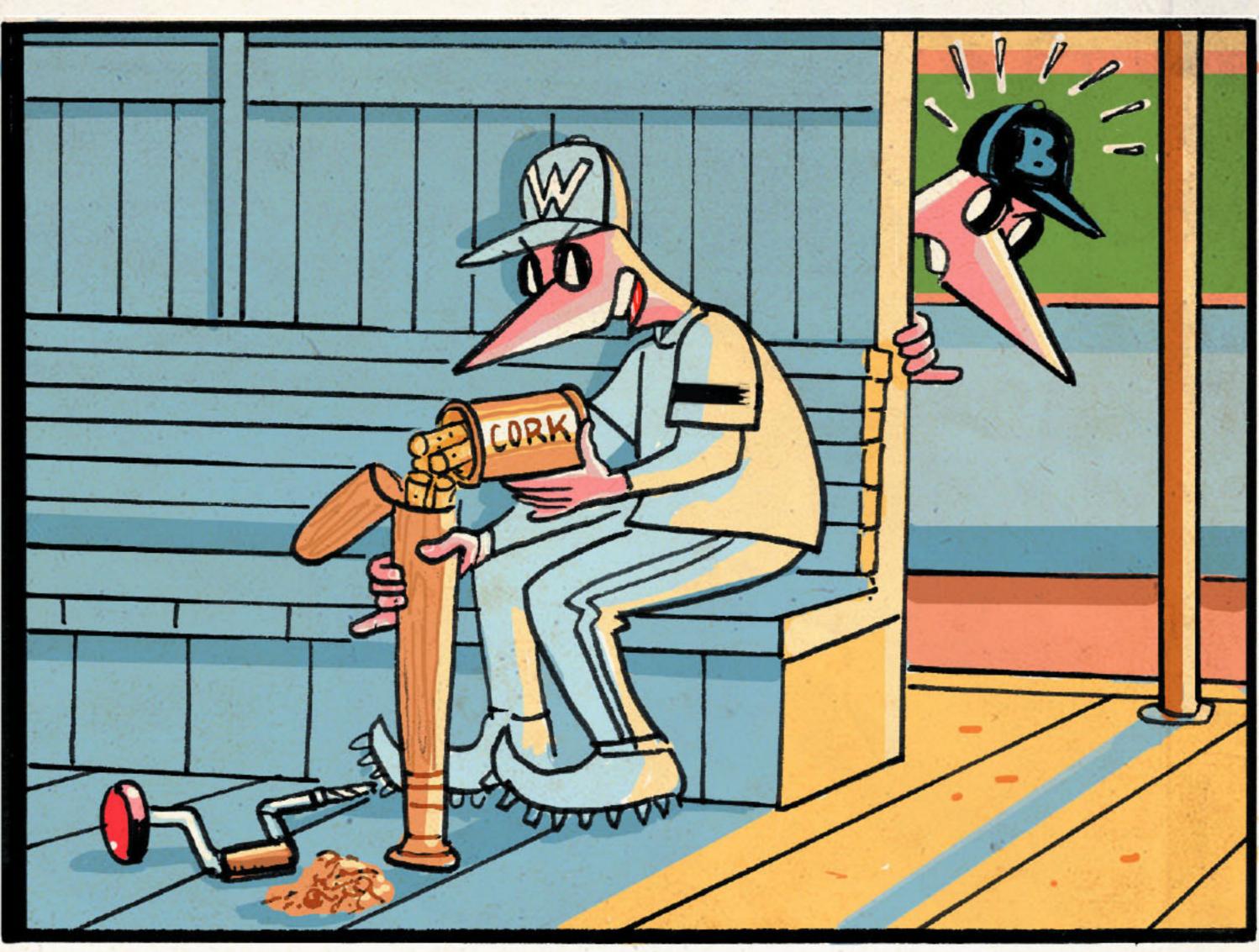


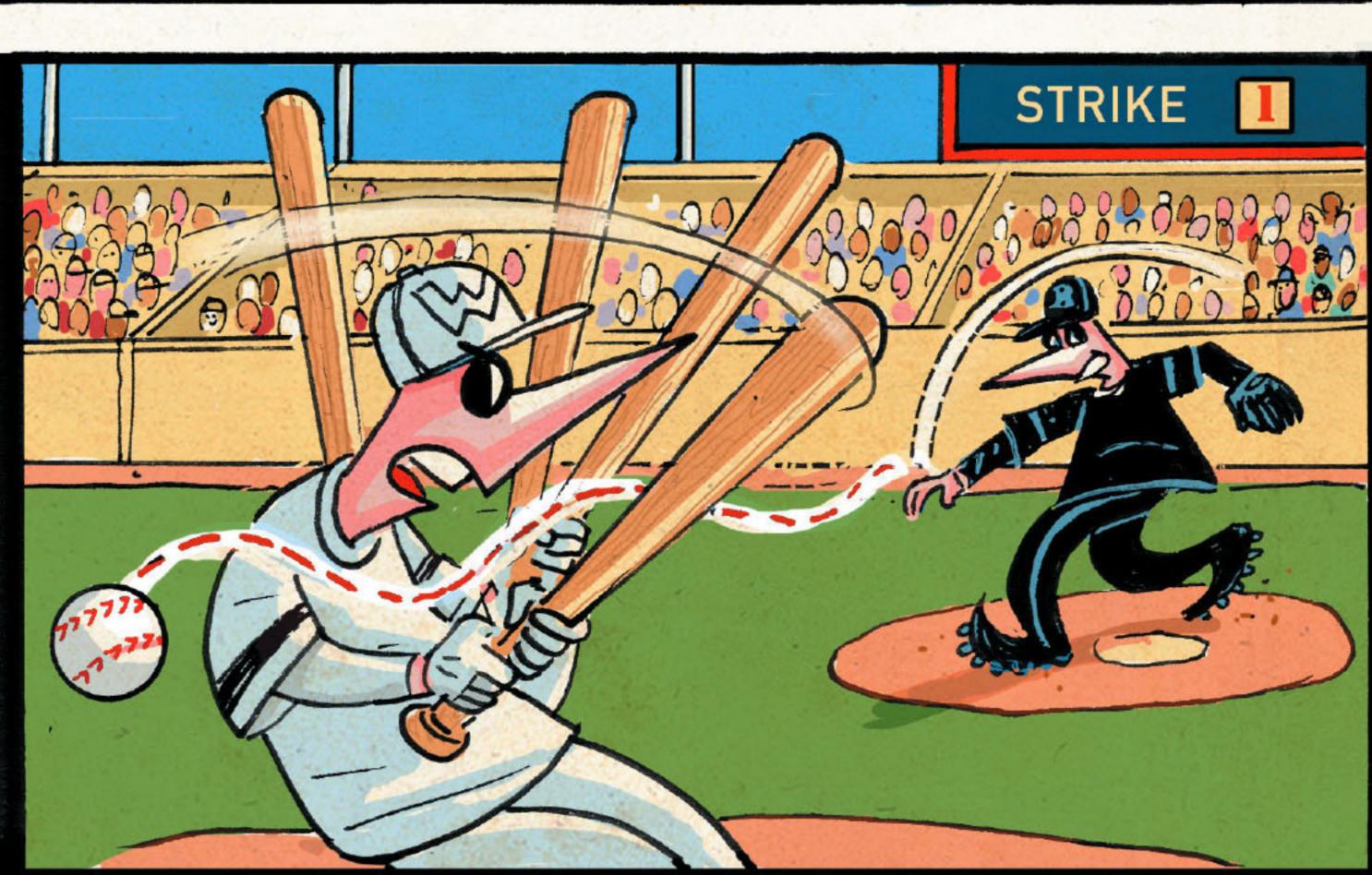


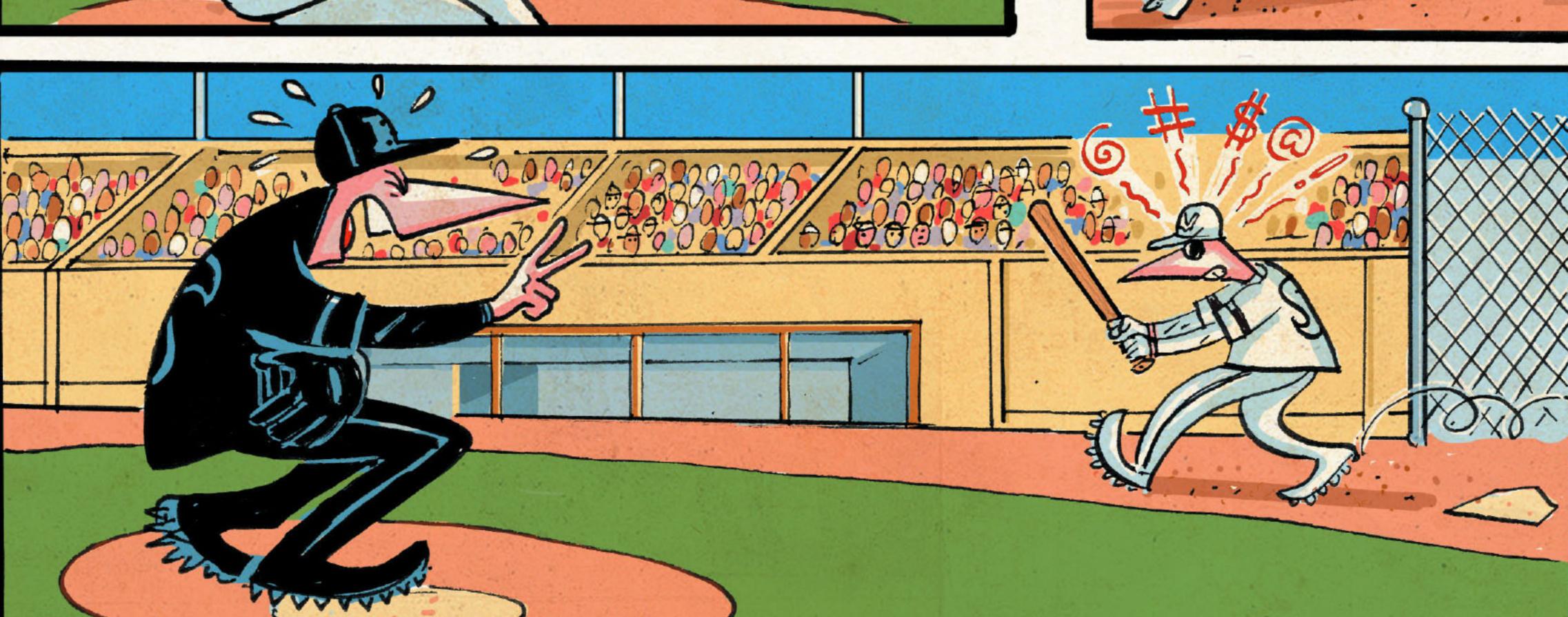




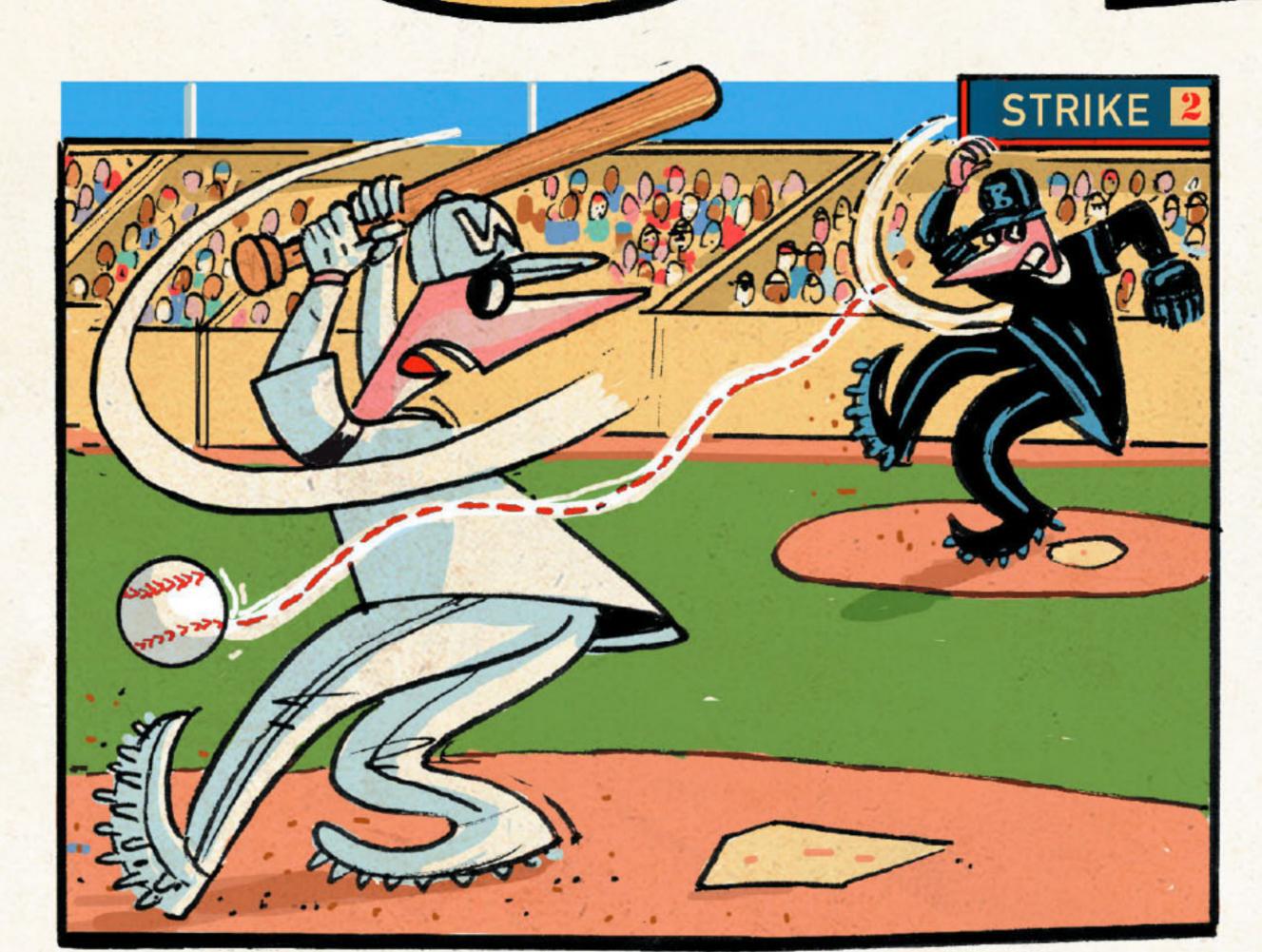


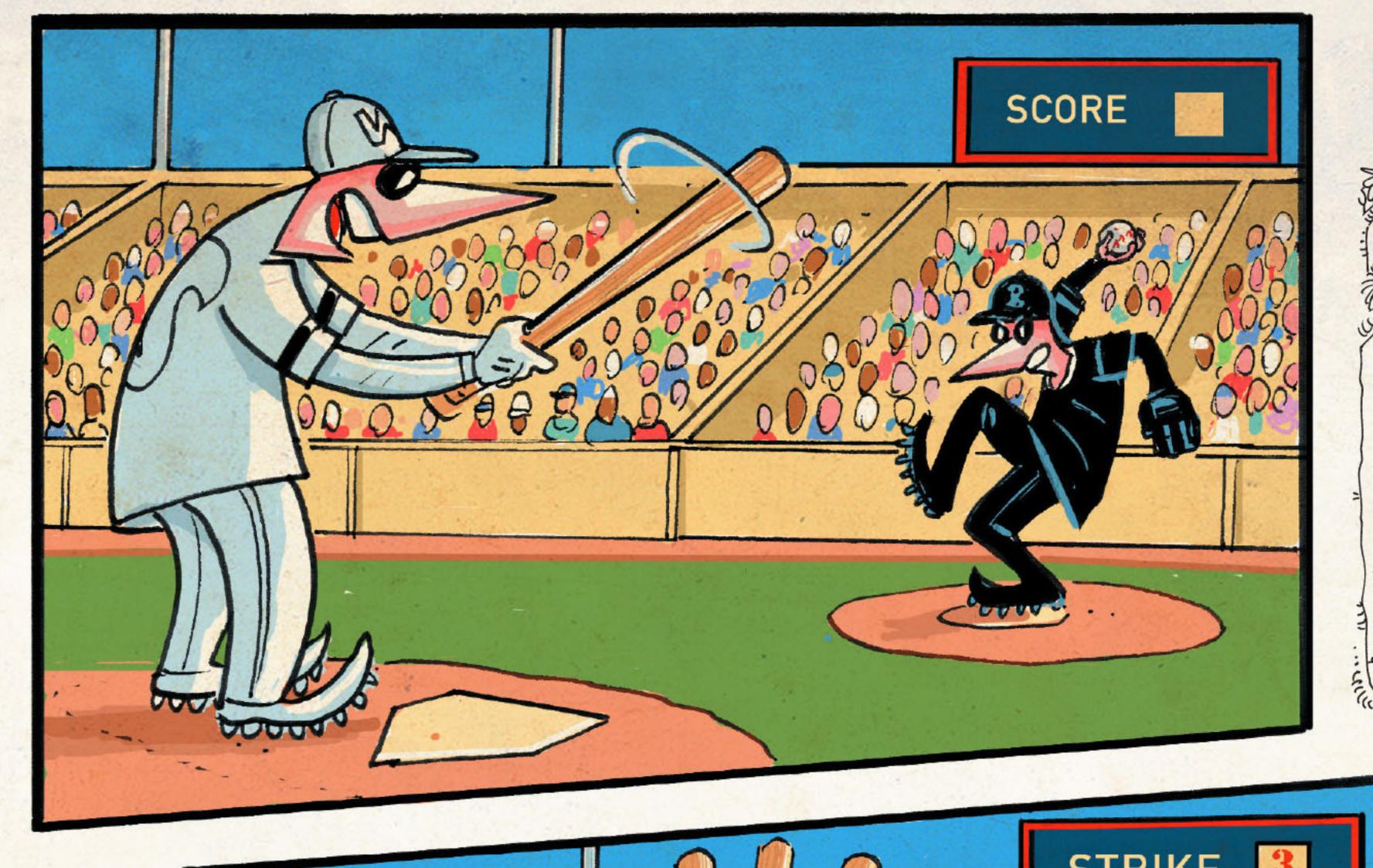


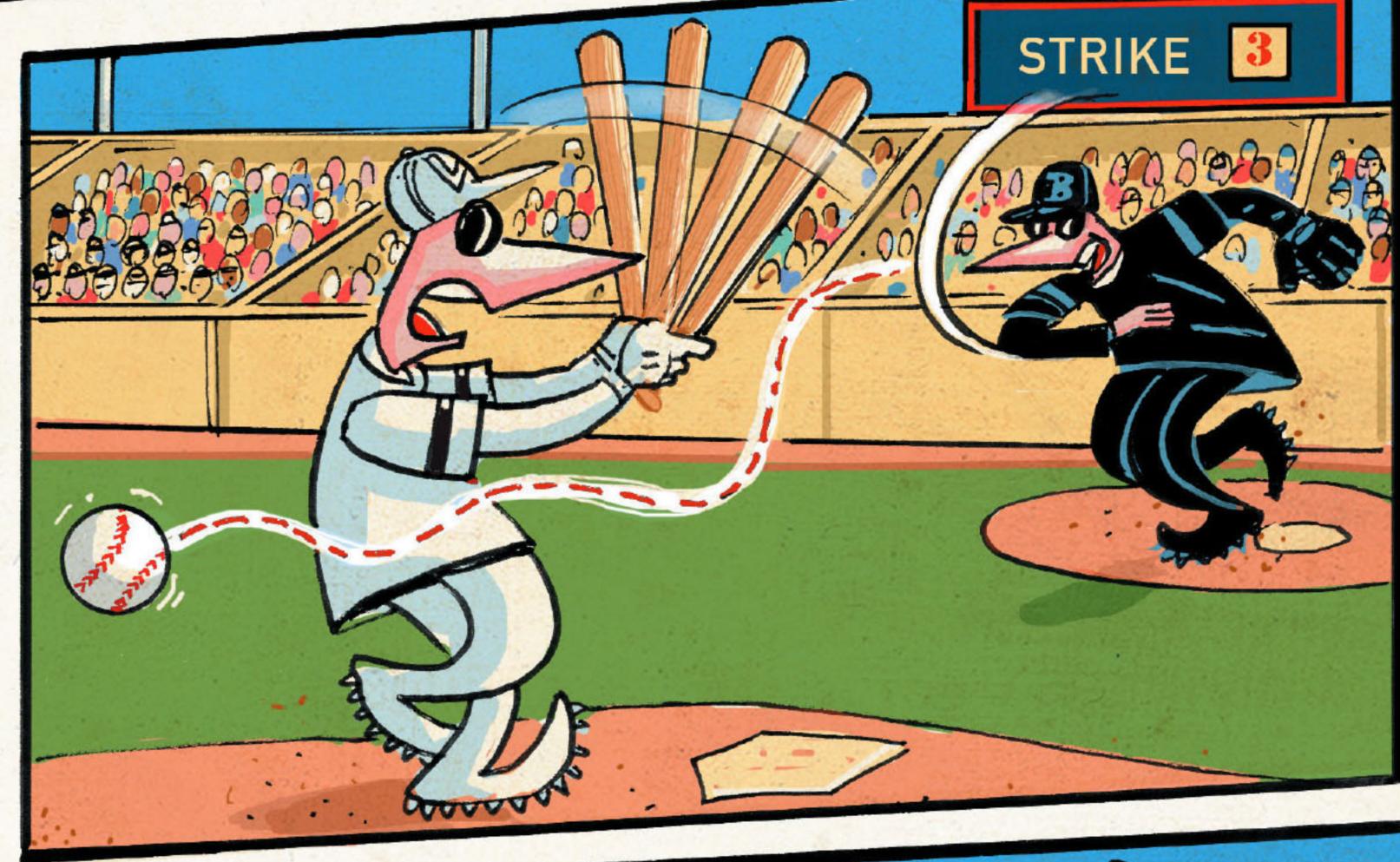


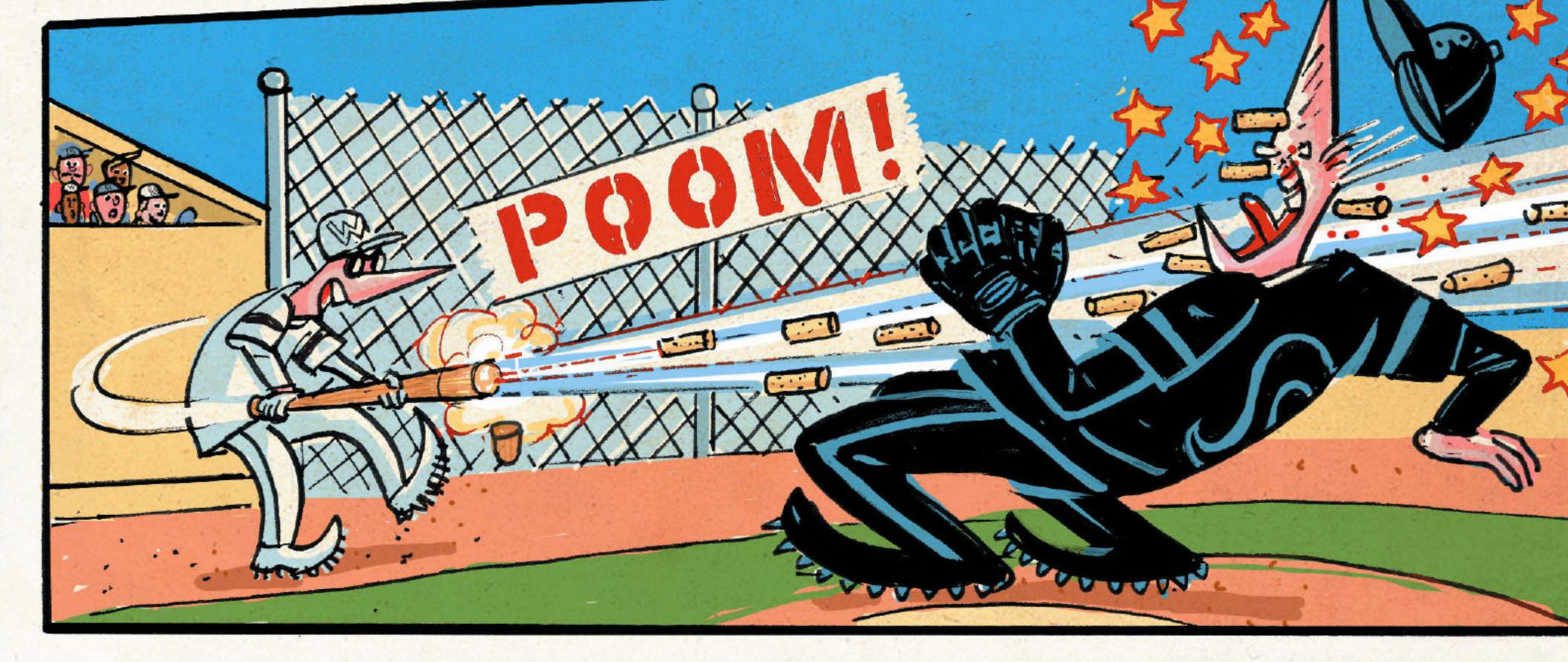














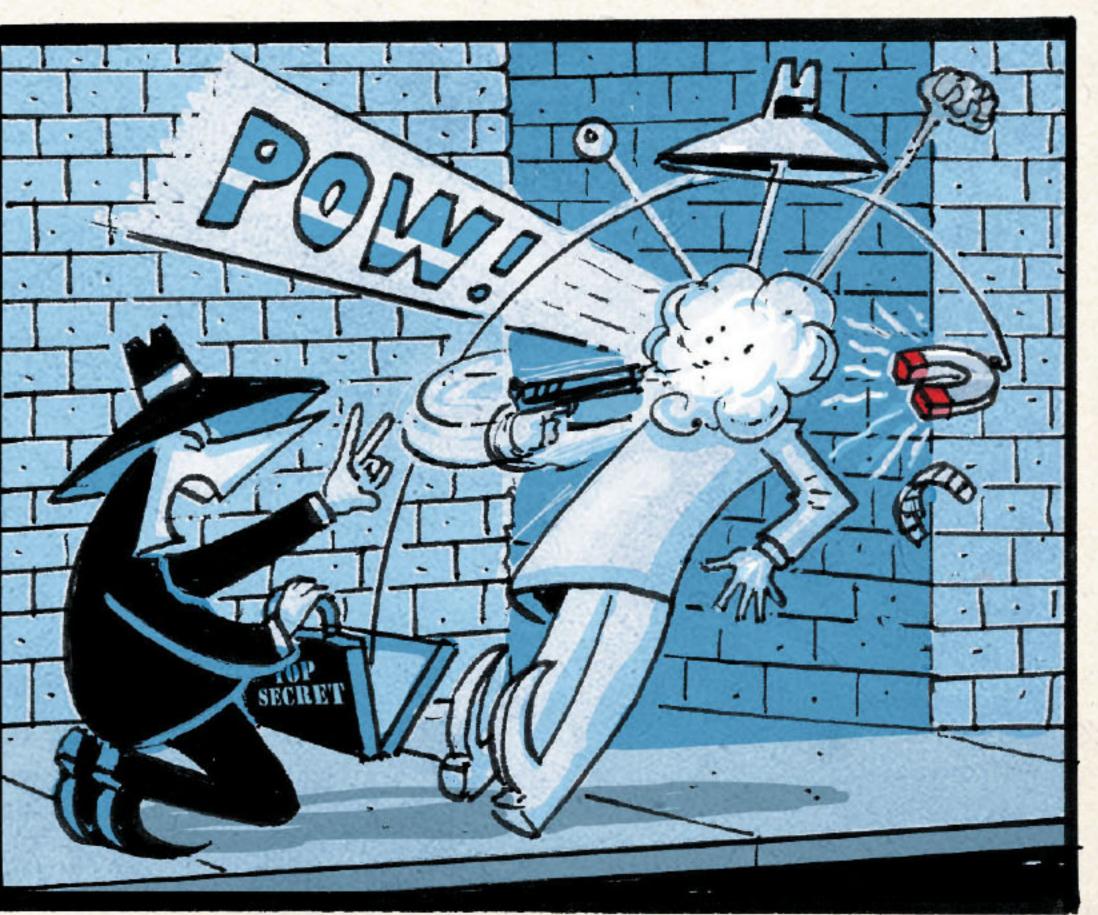












TILL DEBT DO US PART DEPT.

Your credit cards being maxed out doesn't mean YOU should be stressed out. It's a problem, but you'll take care of it...eventually. Someday. Probably. Right?! In the meantime, consider yourself richer because you've got your hands on another installment of MAD's tips for making the best out of the worst. Now...

lurn the public humiliation of having your card declined into a public performance.



undercover Officer from the Department of, uh ... Overspending. You just verified for us the name of this shameful shopaholic. Thank You, and AMERICA thanks You!!

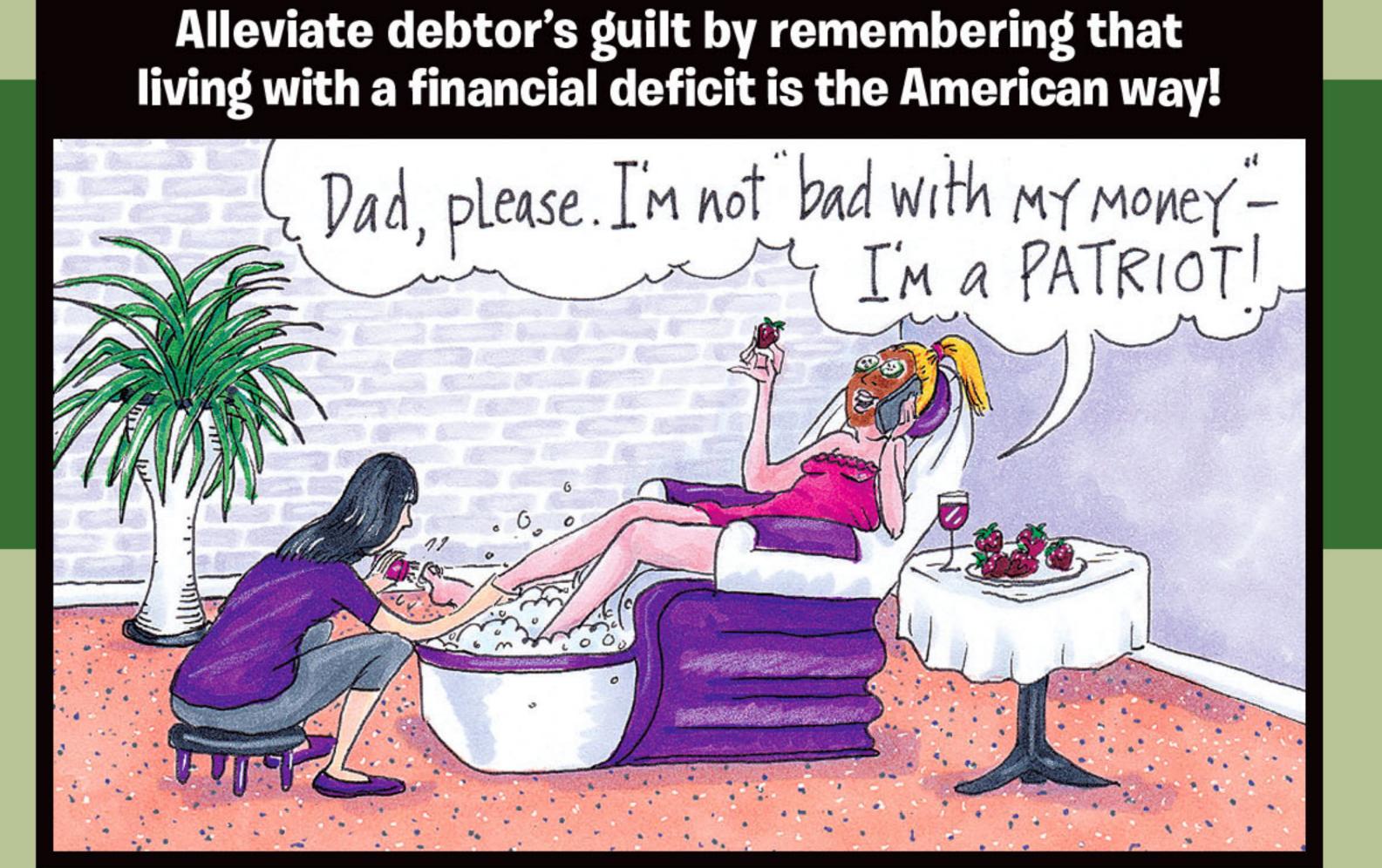


Put together your own out-of-control-spending support group. Let's celebrate the success of our) first meeting with steak and r



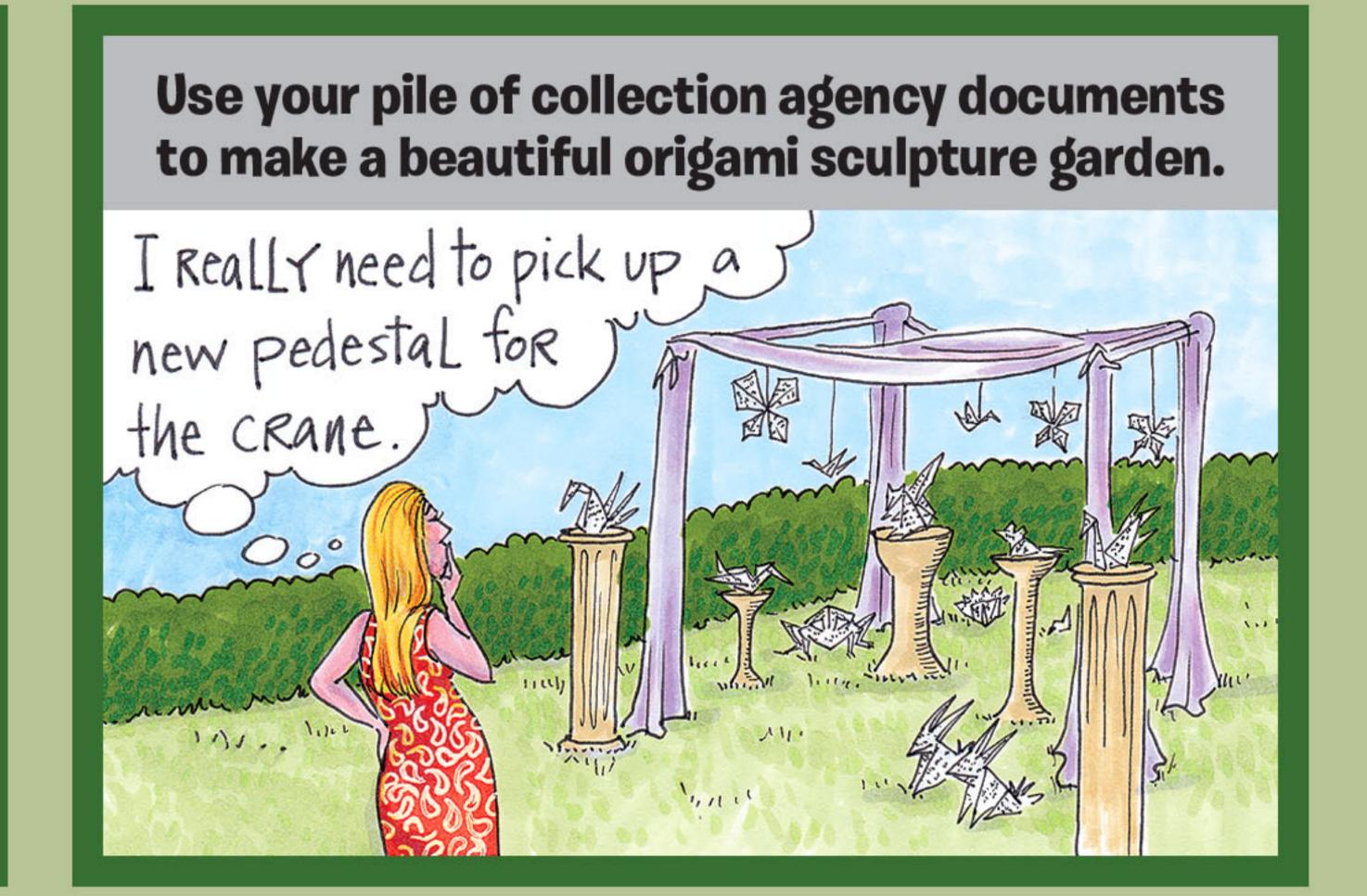
Create a bucket list of all the people you dream could bail you out. thank You so much for paying off that studid credit card! Let's go to

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Blast "Mo Money **Mo Problems**" creditors ears until they stop calling.

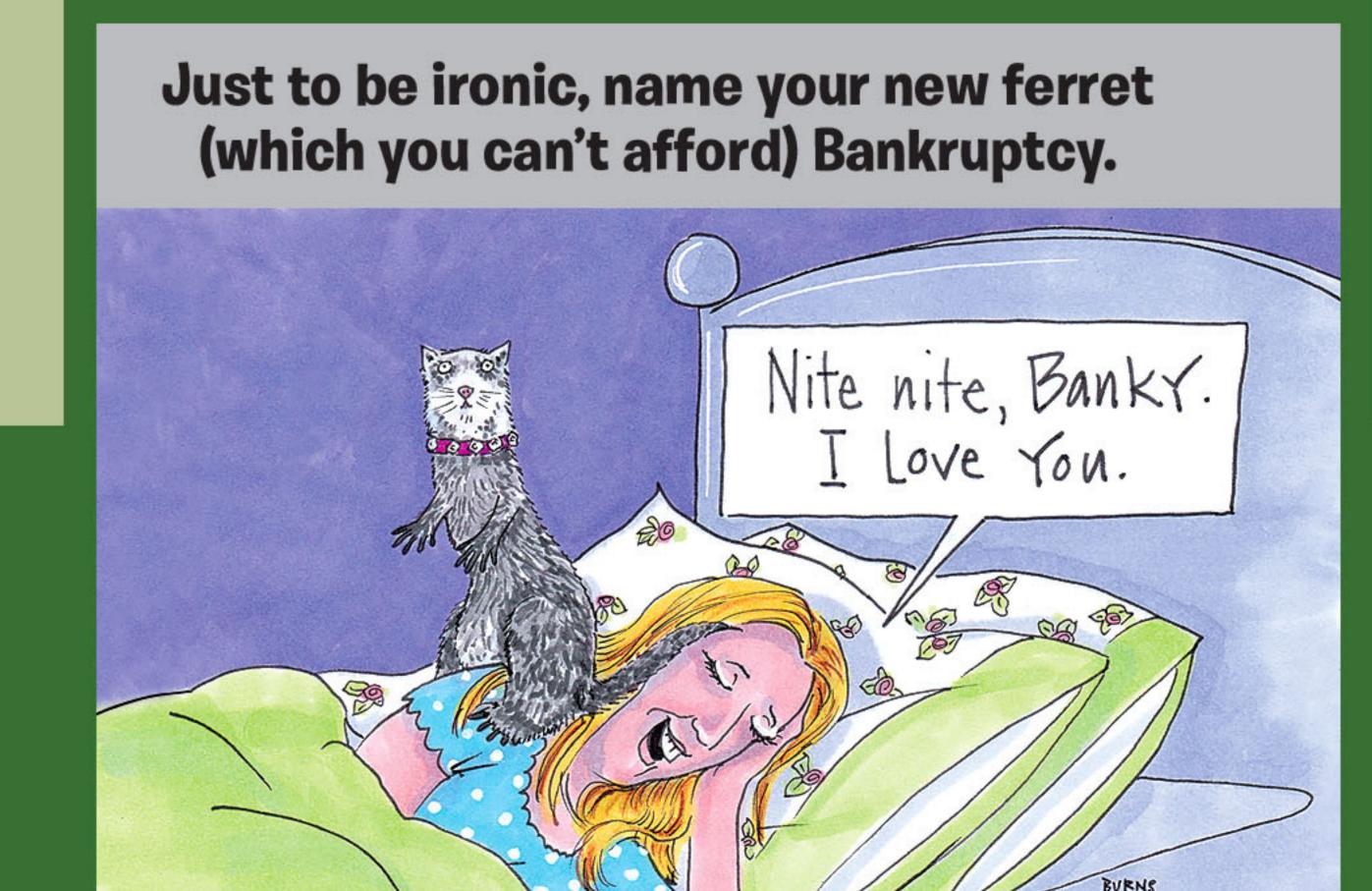












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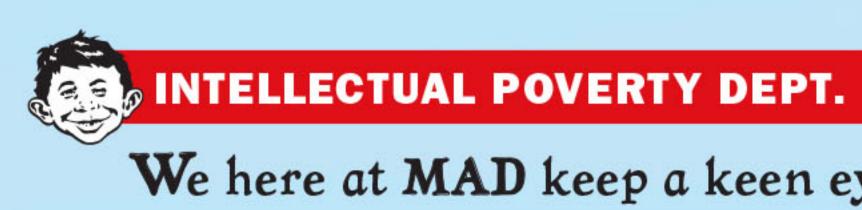
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MODERN GIG

Sung to the tune of "Modern Major-General's Song'

I am the very model of a Modern Gig Economist
My problems are pervasive, no escaping, they're the commonest
I work an 80-hour week and still I live in poverty
So any bootstraps you could spare would really mean a lot to me
My studio apartment is the size of a VW
And it would still look tiny if you saw it through the Hubble-view
A cost of one-point-seven K a month is how my pay is spent

I'm very good at Photoshop and Final Cut and InDesign
I've got a shop on Etsy, you can buy the art I make online
And pay me in exposure for a bracelet you put on the wrist

I am the very model of a Modern Gig Economist

But, really I'm a victim of the Modern Gig Economy

And I sublet the closet to a stranger just to make the rent

When I completed high school, I continued academia
And puked 100 grand like I had Student Loan Bulimia
I studied journalism with a passion hitherto unseen
With plans to blast "The Institution" into tiny smithereens
Who knew The Institution had composed its own catastrophes
The only job available was hostess at an Applebee's
The Baby Boomers say that I'm a slacker and a wannabe

I'm Ubering and Lyfting and I'm harvesting my arteries
For plasma I can sell downtown, 'cause times are getting hard for me
I really should have trained to be a certified phlebotomist
I hear they rake it in, unlike a Modern Gig Economist

My checking's overdrafted so they're charging me a service fee I haven't got a penny and they're taking 20 bucks from me They're cutting off the gas, the power, water and the Internet I really, most sincerely, truly wish it wasn't winter yet I've had to sell my laptop and my cell phone just to buy some food I'm freezing in my car and they complain about my attitude I whisper as the icy hand extracts the final breath of me They paid me in exposure and exposure is the death of me

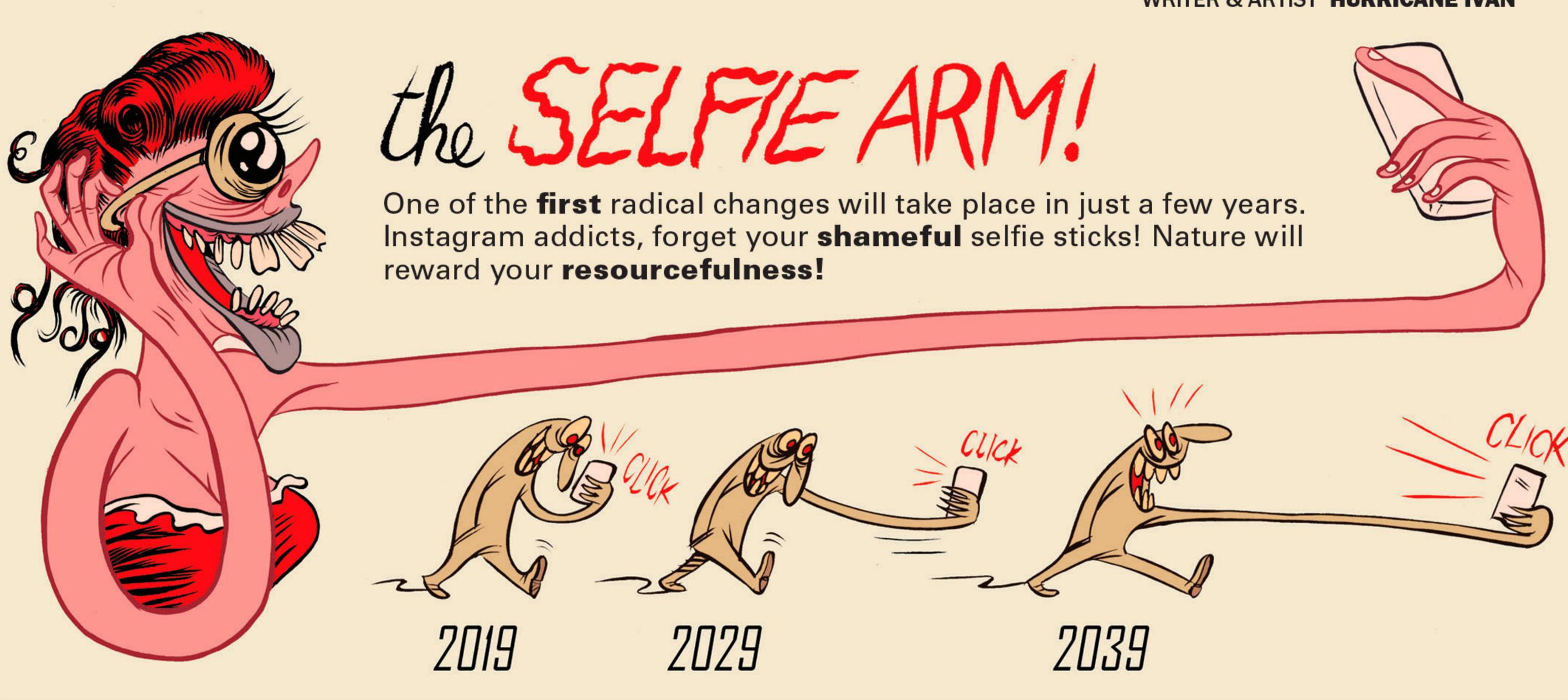
Now, I'm up in heaven with Saint Peter at the pearly door He says they haven't got a room and asks me what I'm early for There is a closet I could rent, but God is gonna charge a fee I guess there's no escaping from this **Modern Gig Economy**



How will the human race evolve with technological advances? We present to the MAD reader these inspiring prophecies of...

NEW EVOLUTIONSM!

WRITER & ARTIST HURRICANE IVAN



the TOB STEALER!

As **everyone** knows, in the future humans will lose their jobs to **robots**. Another cruel career predator will be this morphing **monster**, able to blend into even the most **mundane** of places!









the HUMAN KITENS!

After years of dominating social networks, human **influencers** and cute **kittens** will finally **unite**. They shall lord over all other species, colonizing Earth with a glamorous new **mutant pedigree!**



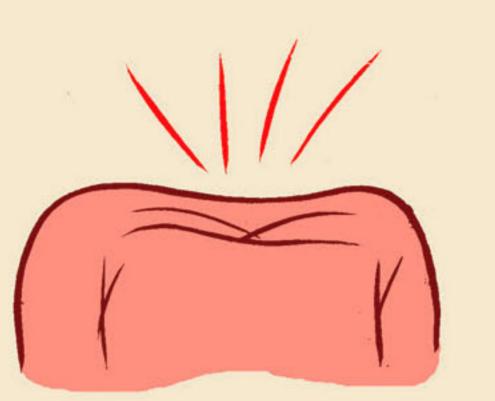
GENTRIFICATION INTERNALIZATION!

To cope with rising rent prices, the people of the future will learn to live within themselves!











the LITERAL HUMAN RECESSION!

Unemployed persons will no longer have to fear starvation **nor** dehydration! The **wage gap** between rich and poor will be so great as to create an **evolutionary disparity** even in their **physical** size!













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Cheer up! In your new small size, you will need fewer resources!

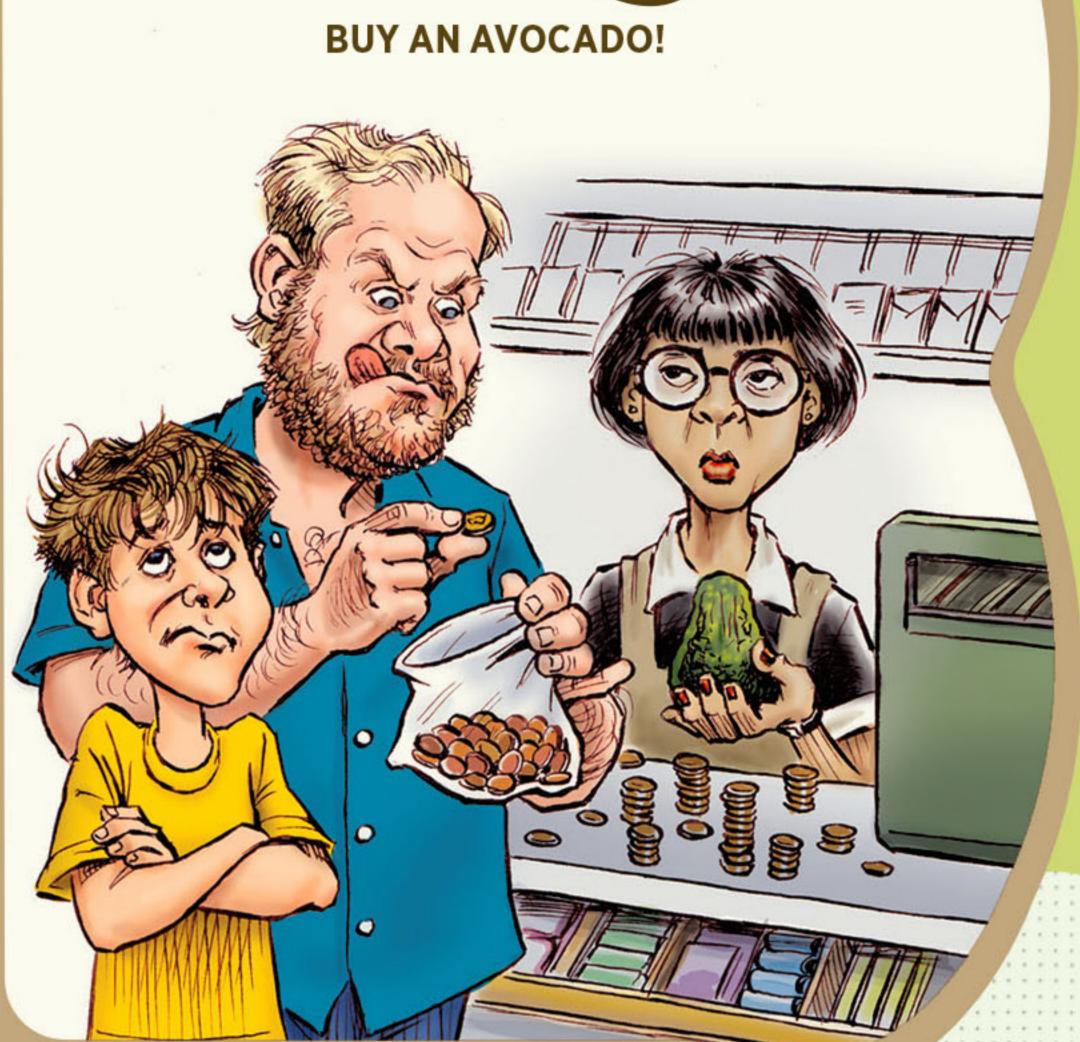














COMPLETE THE BREAD CYCLE: SWITCH FROM EATING WHITE BREAD TOAST

TO WHEAT BREAD TOAST

TO 32-GRAIN BREAD TOAST

TO GLUTEN-FREE TOAST

TO USING LETTUCE AS BREAD

TO SAWDUST TOAST

TO WHITE BREAD TOAST, IRONICALLY.





MOVE INTO A SINGLE-ROOM HALFWAY HOUSE THAT ONLY ALLOWS HOT PLATES AND TOASTERS.



GIVE UP CHEESE, BUTTER, DAIRY, AND OVERALL HAPPINESS. BEGIN SAMPLING VEGETABLES, SEARCHING FOR SOMETHING RESEMBLING A CONSISTENCY TO FOOD THAT HUMANS EAT.



Hey, everyone! I'm Jack Gaffigan, and I'm 13 years old. My evil, bald, obese dad, Jim Gaffigan, forces me to make him breakfast every morning! Then I have to watch him eat it! GROSS! Actually, one morning my fat dad (note: he is fat!) and I were laughing about how trendy and ridiculous avocado toast is, so we thought we'd pull together this recipe for you...

JACK & JIM

EASY 15-STEP RECIPE FOR

WRITERS JACK & JIM GAFFIGAN ARTIST **SAM VIVIANO**



TRY TIMING A MEAL AROUND THAT RANDOM MINUTE THAT THE AVOCADO FROM STEP 7 IS NOT HARD AS A





GIVE UP. TOSS AVOCADO FROM STEP 7.





BECOME SO RICH AND THAT YOU

"DISCOVER" AVOCADOS **AS A NEW** VEGETABLE!





TELL RICH FRIENDS OVER A GLASS OF WHITE WINE THAT YOU "LOOOOOOVE AVOCADOS!!!"



STEP

GET ANGRY ABOUT OTHER PEOPLE'S SPELLING ERRORS ON TWITTER AND FACEBOOK. LASH





TOSS OVERRIPE, ROTTEN AVOCADO

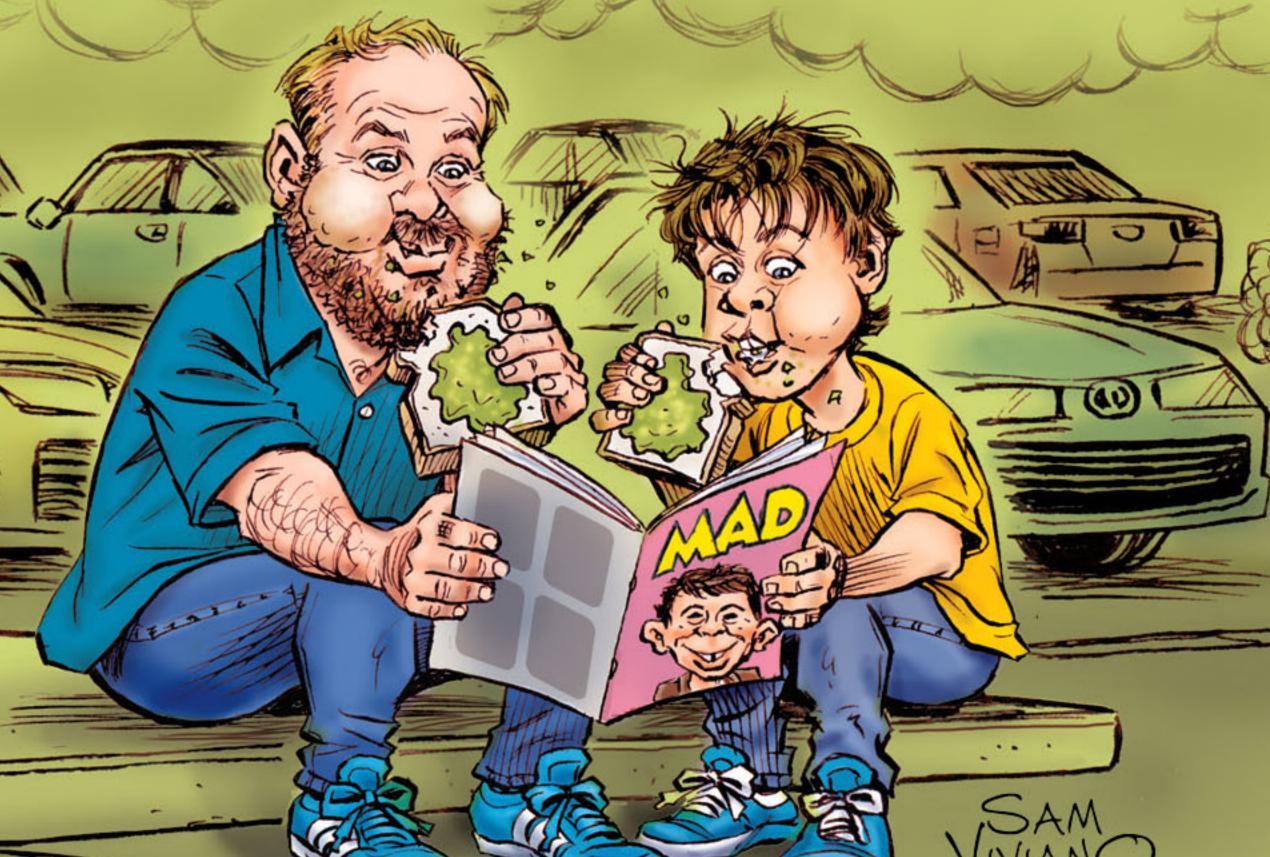
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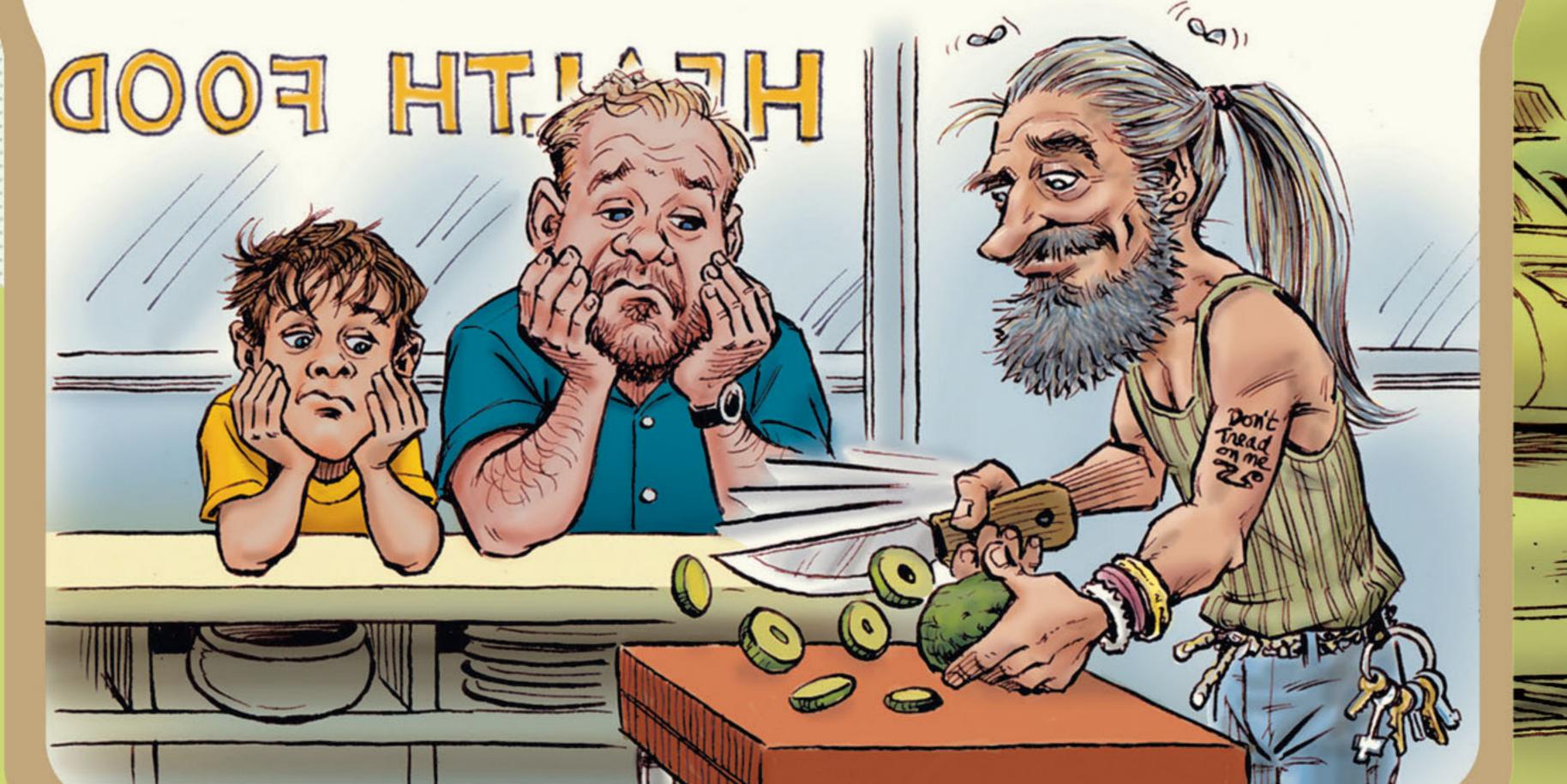
SMUGLY EAT YOUR AVOCADO TOAST OUTSIDE ON A SIDEWALK NEAR MOVING TRAFFIC AND CAR EXHAUST WHILE READING MAD MAGAZINE.







GO TO A RESTAURANT AND PAY SOME GUY WHO WAS FIRED FROM STARBUCKS FOR NOT WASHING HIS HANDS \$20 TO CUT UP AN AVOCADO AND PUT IT ON A PIECE OF WHITE TOAST.

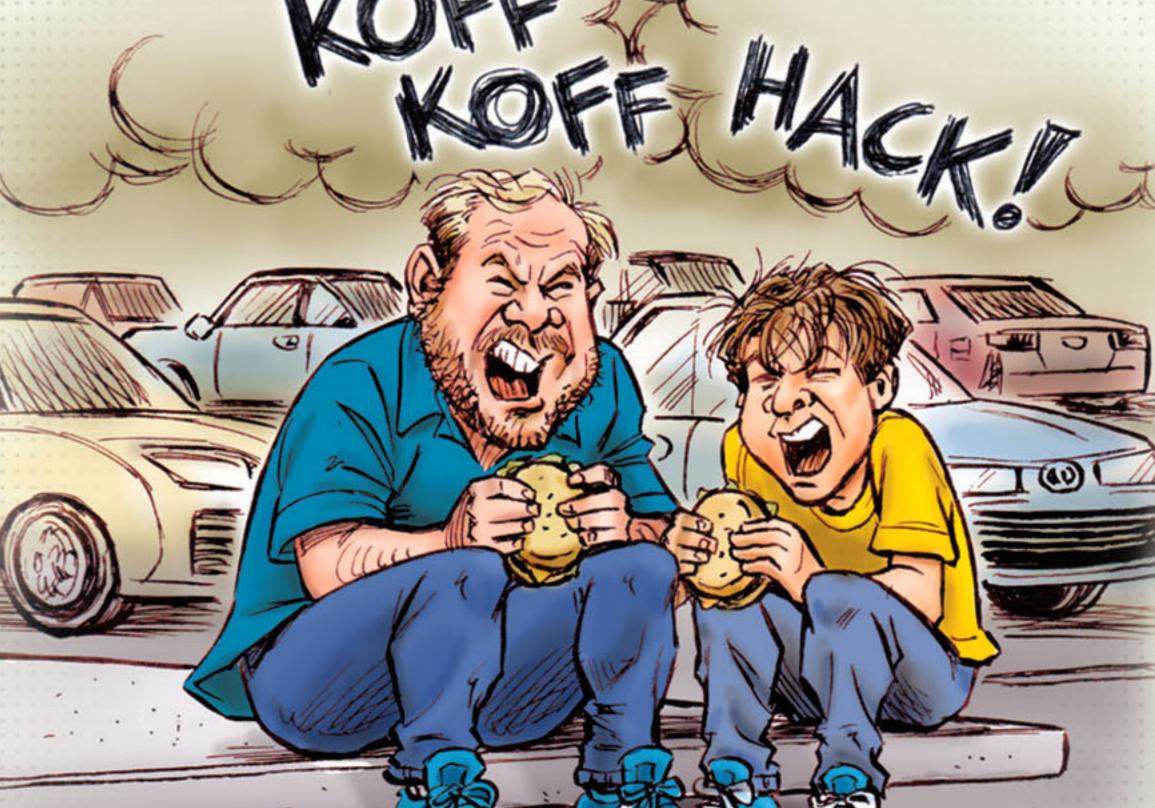


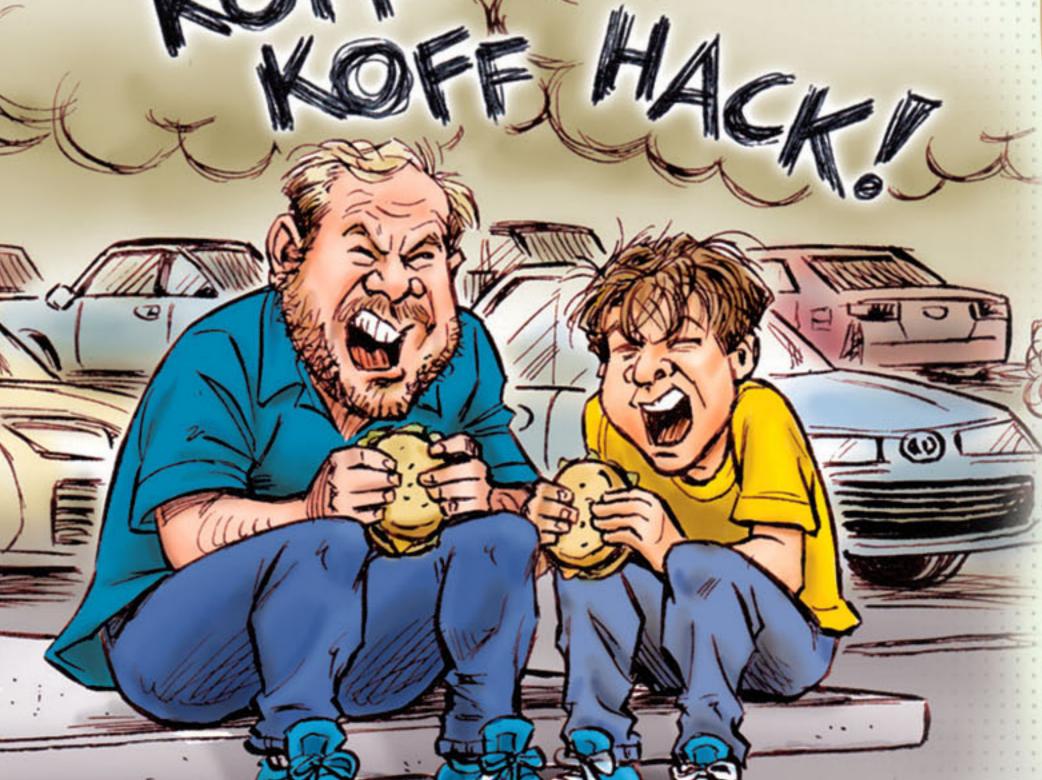


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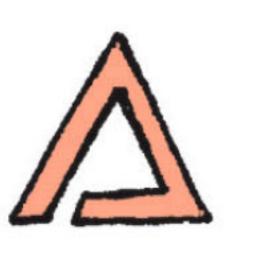


DECIDE YOU ENJOY EATING OUTSIDE ON SIDEWALKS NEAR MOVING TRAFFIC AND CAR EXHAUST.



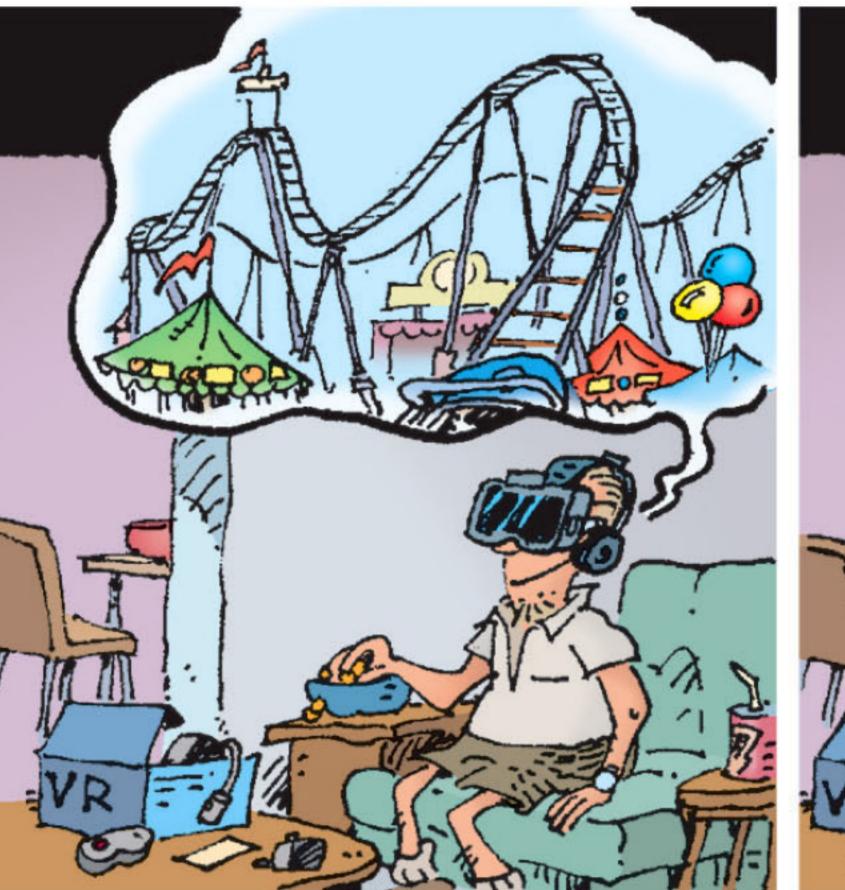


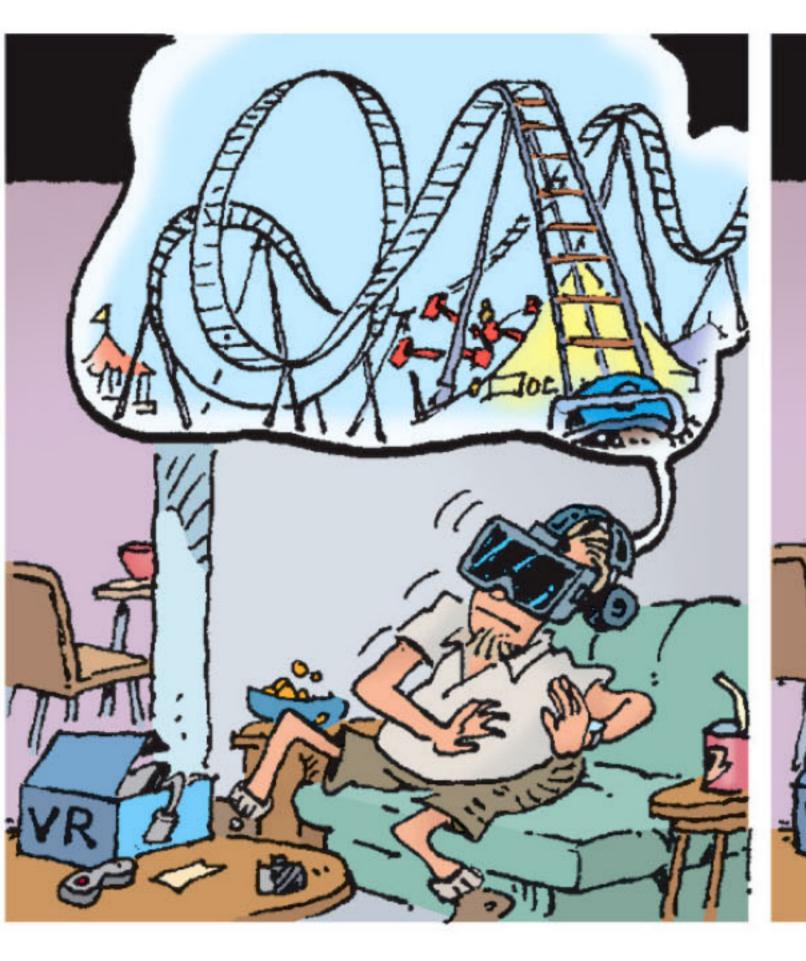


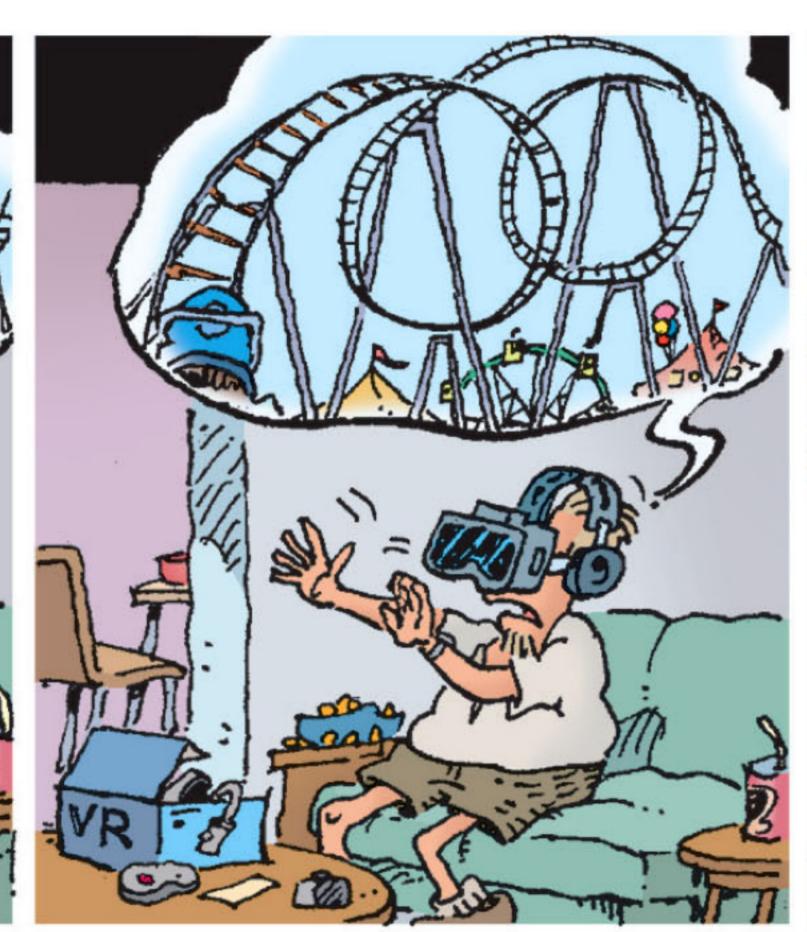


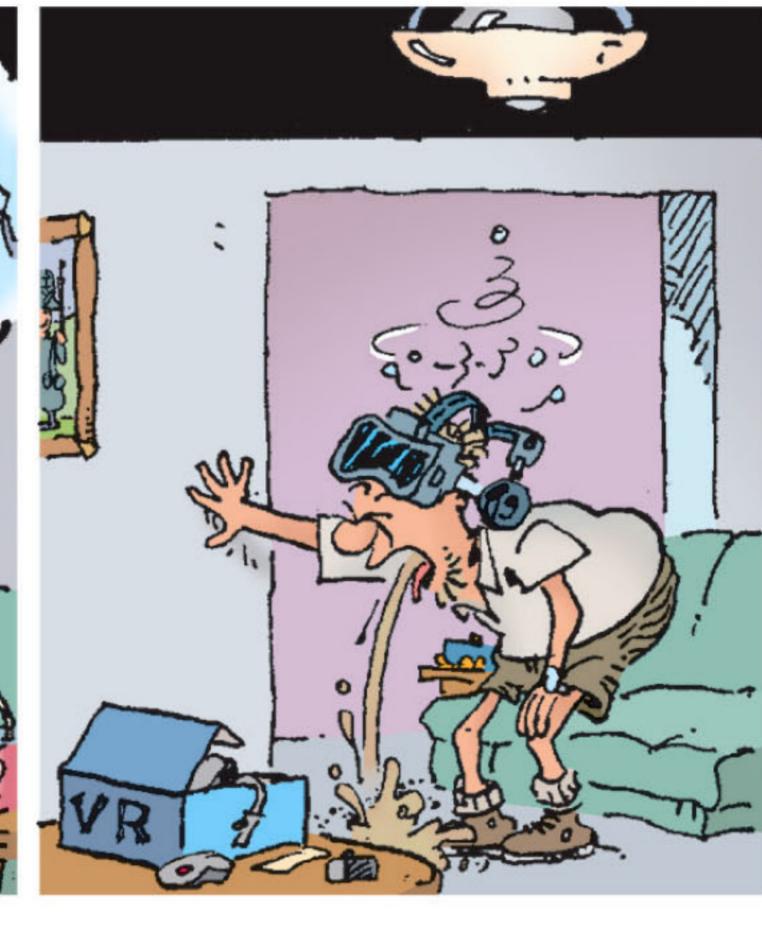




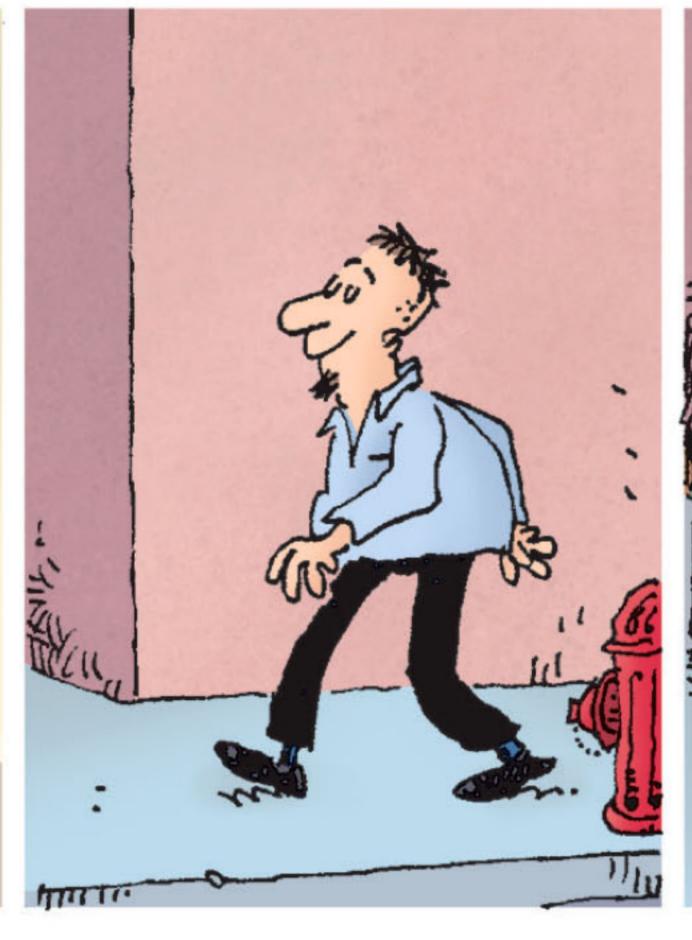




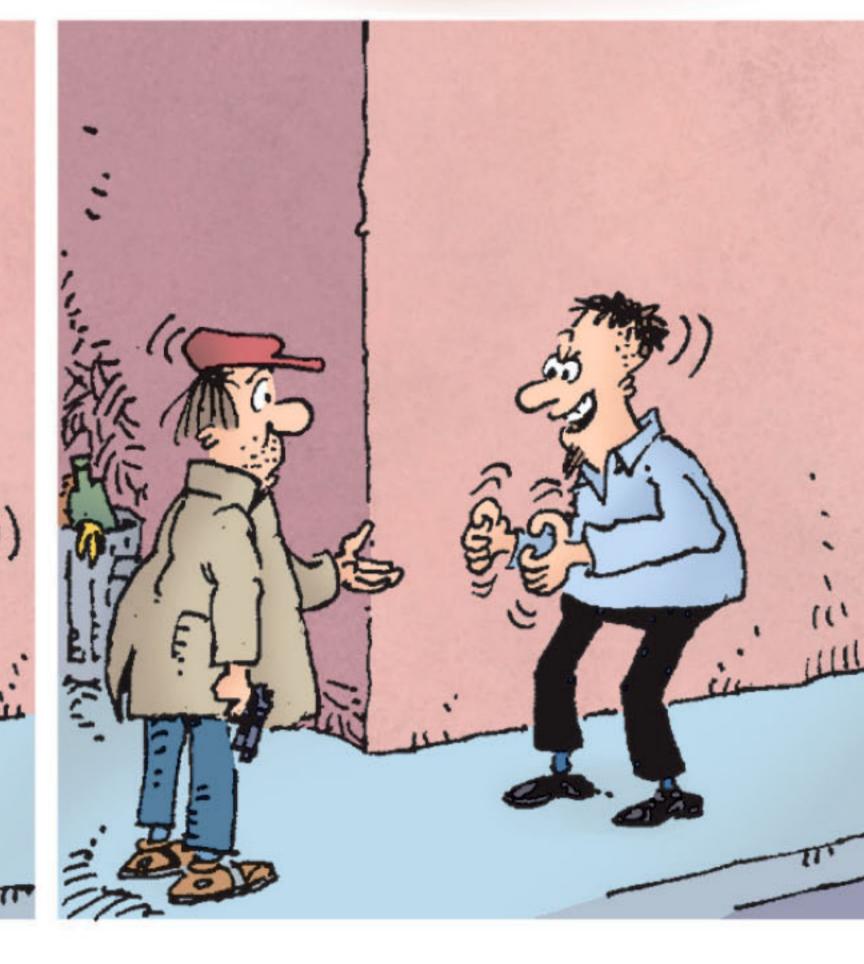






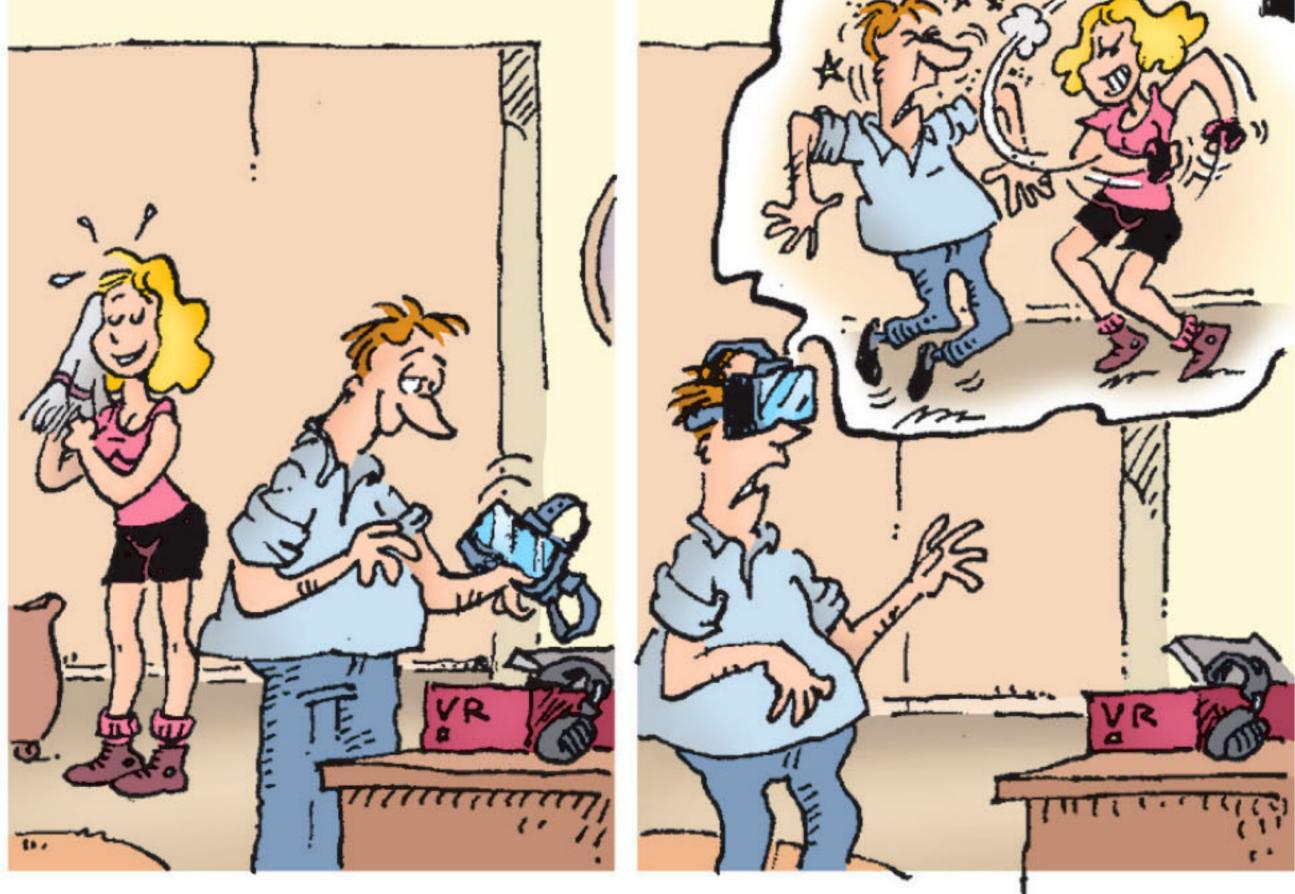




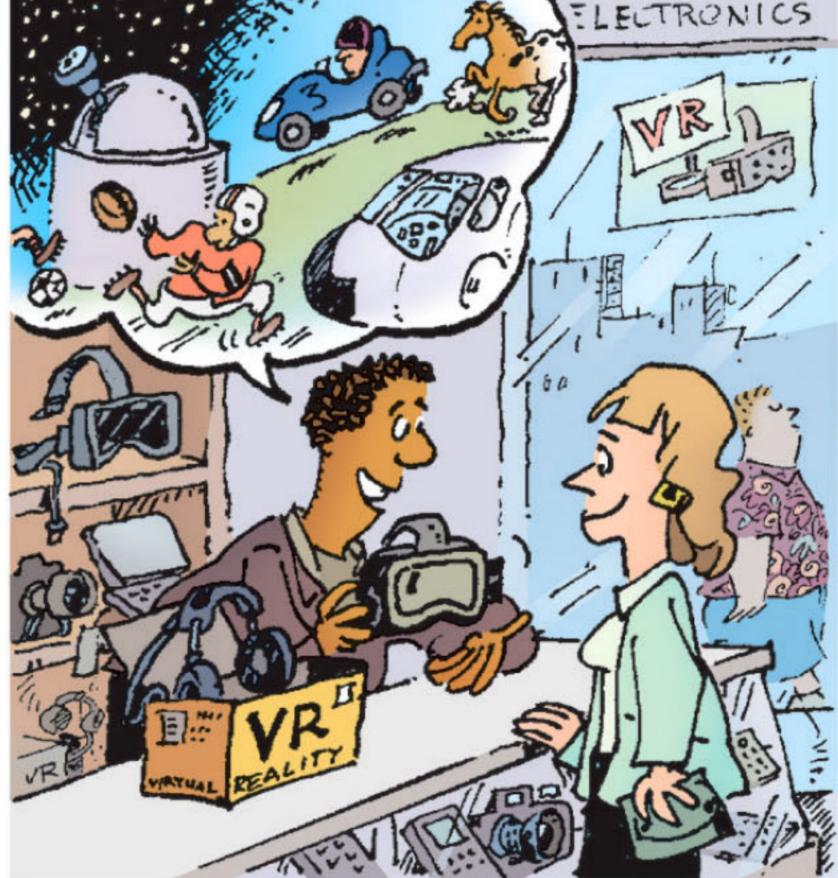


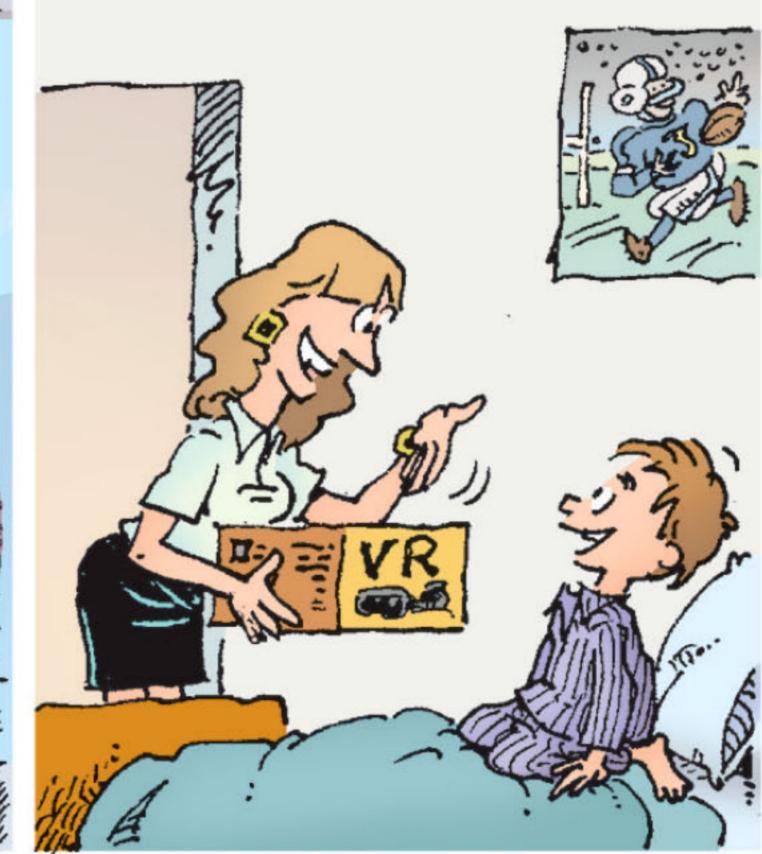
WRITER & ARTIST SERGIO ARAGONÉS COLORIST TOM LUTH





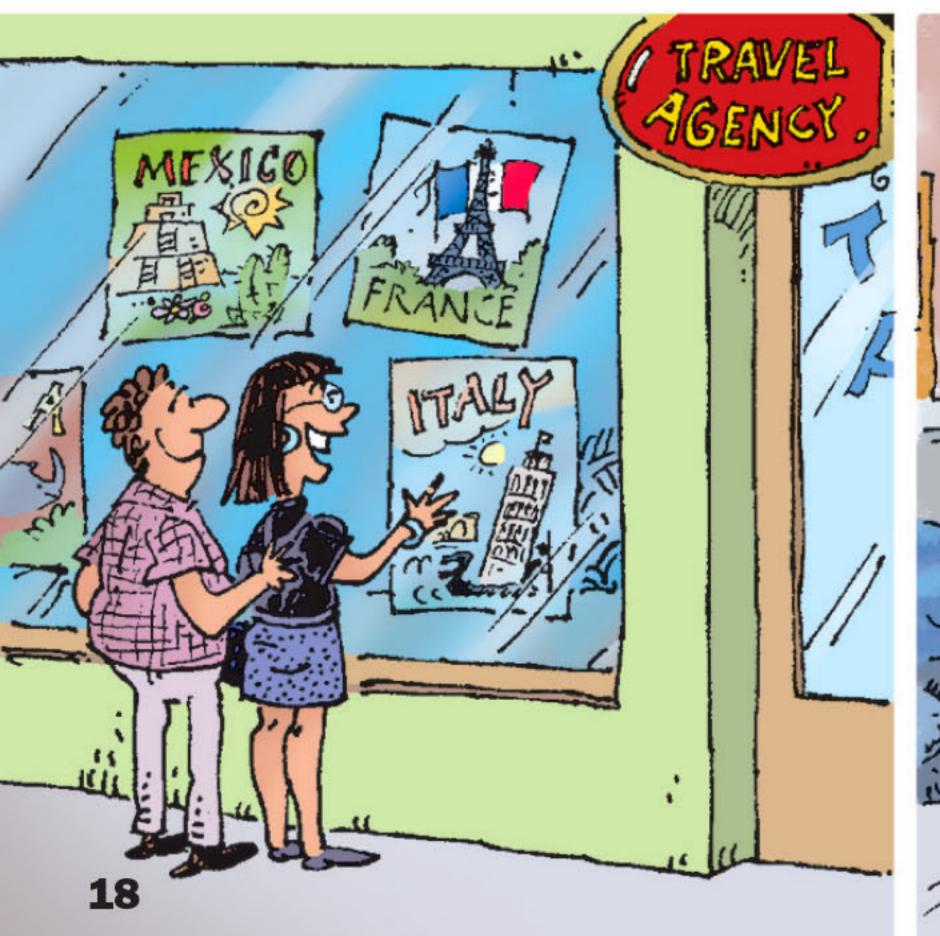


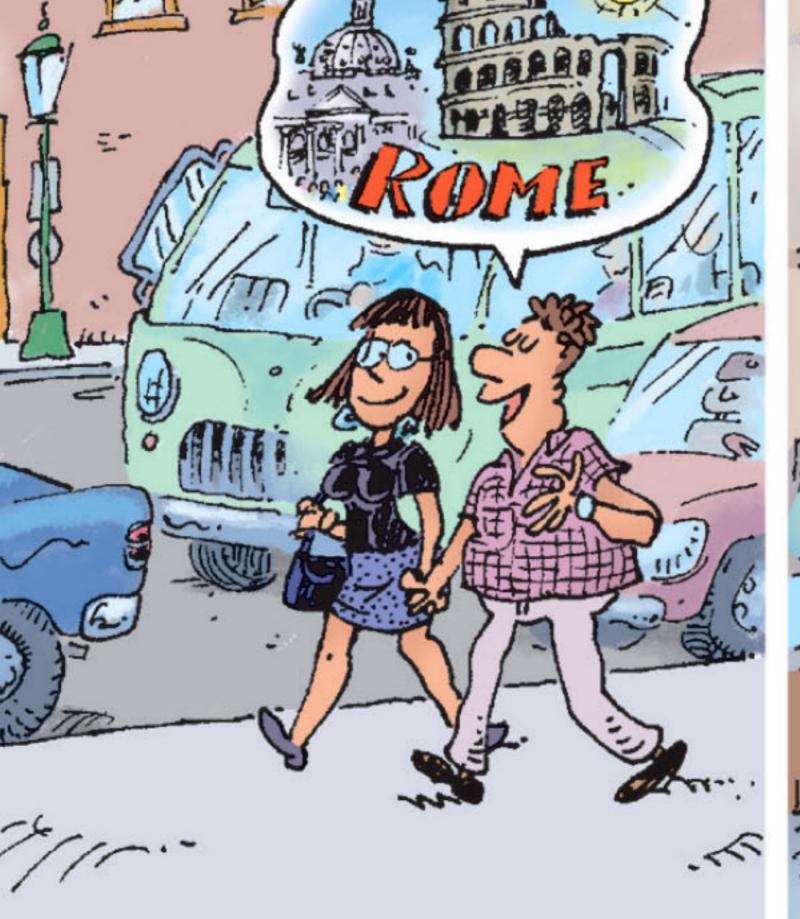






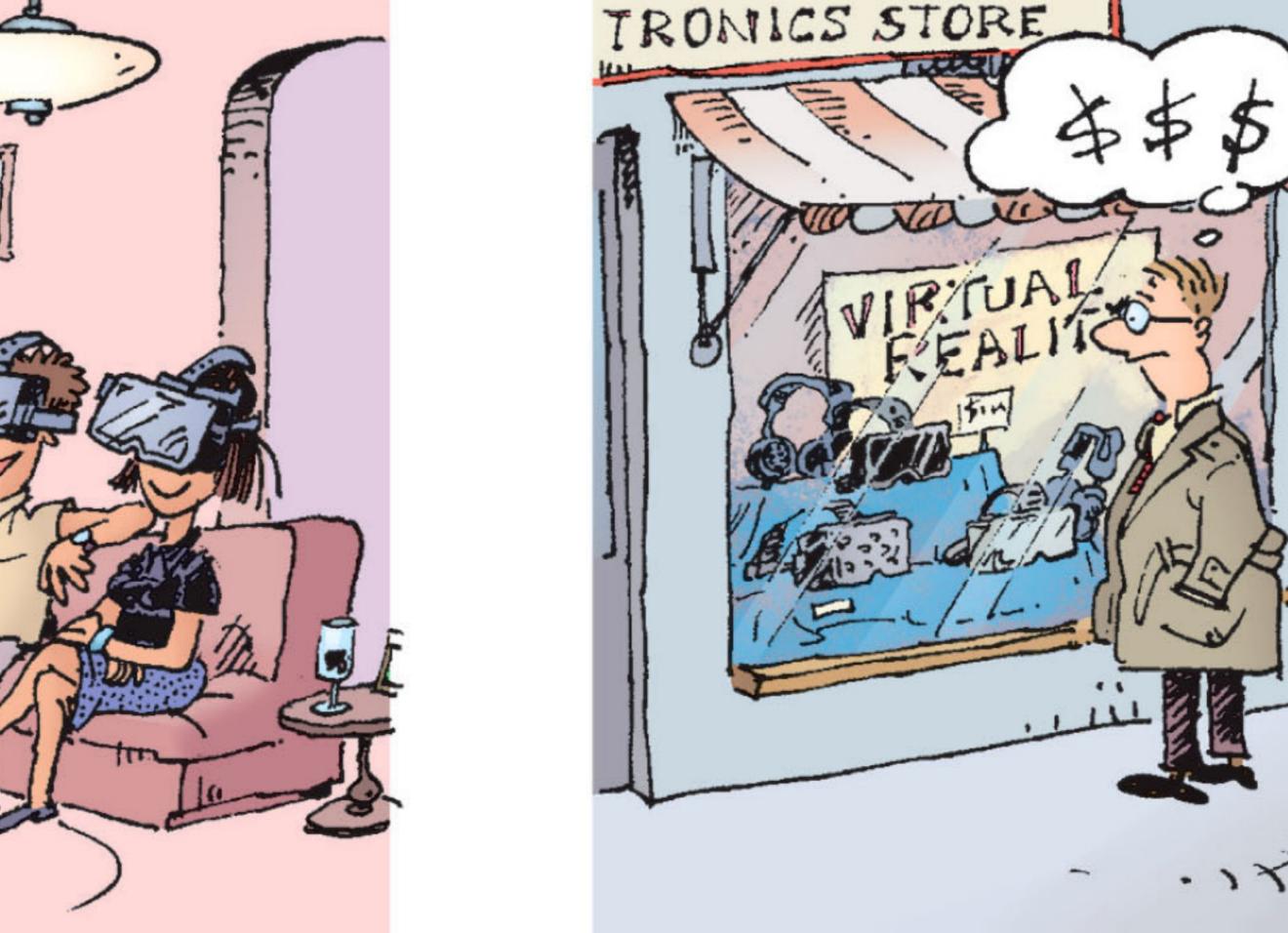






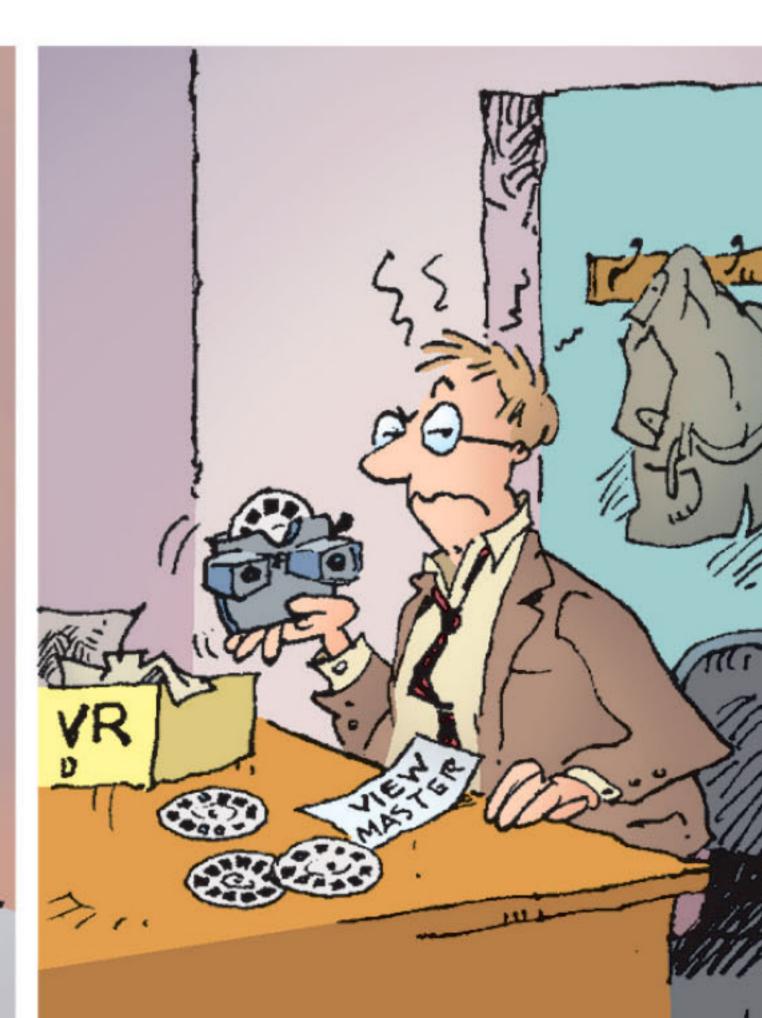


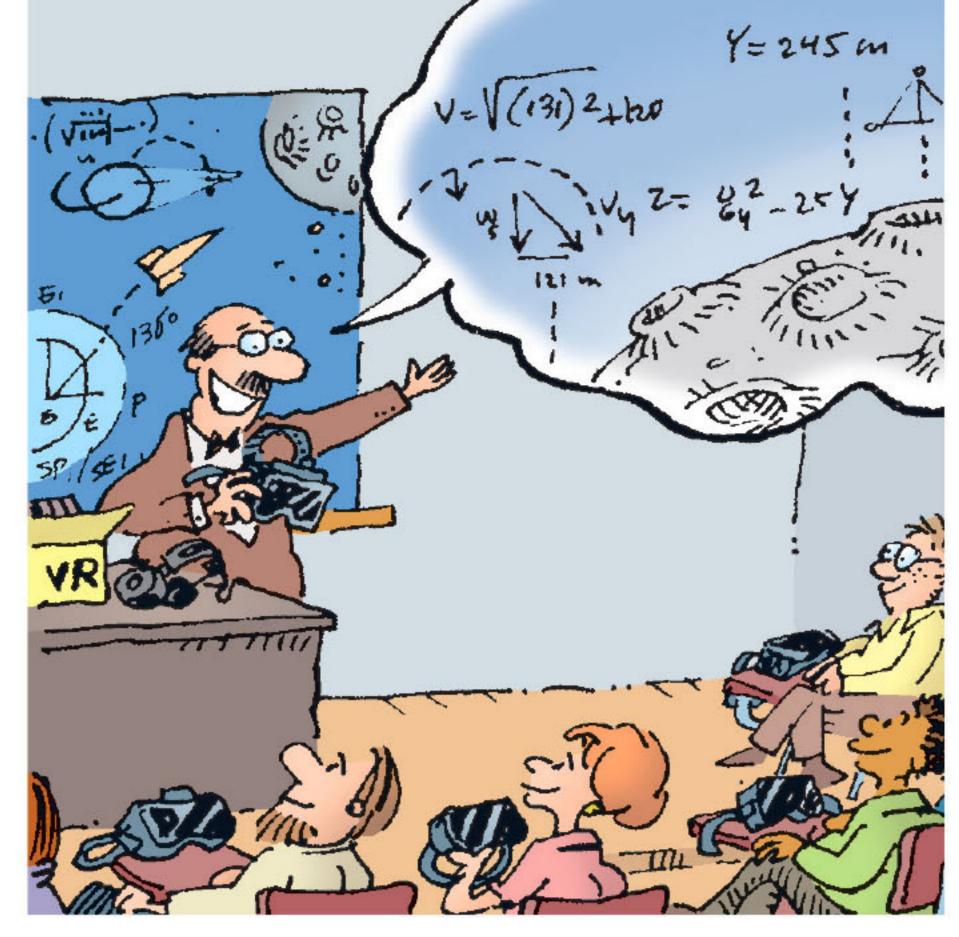








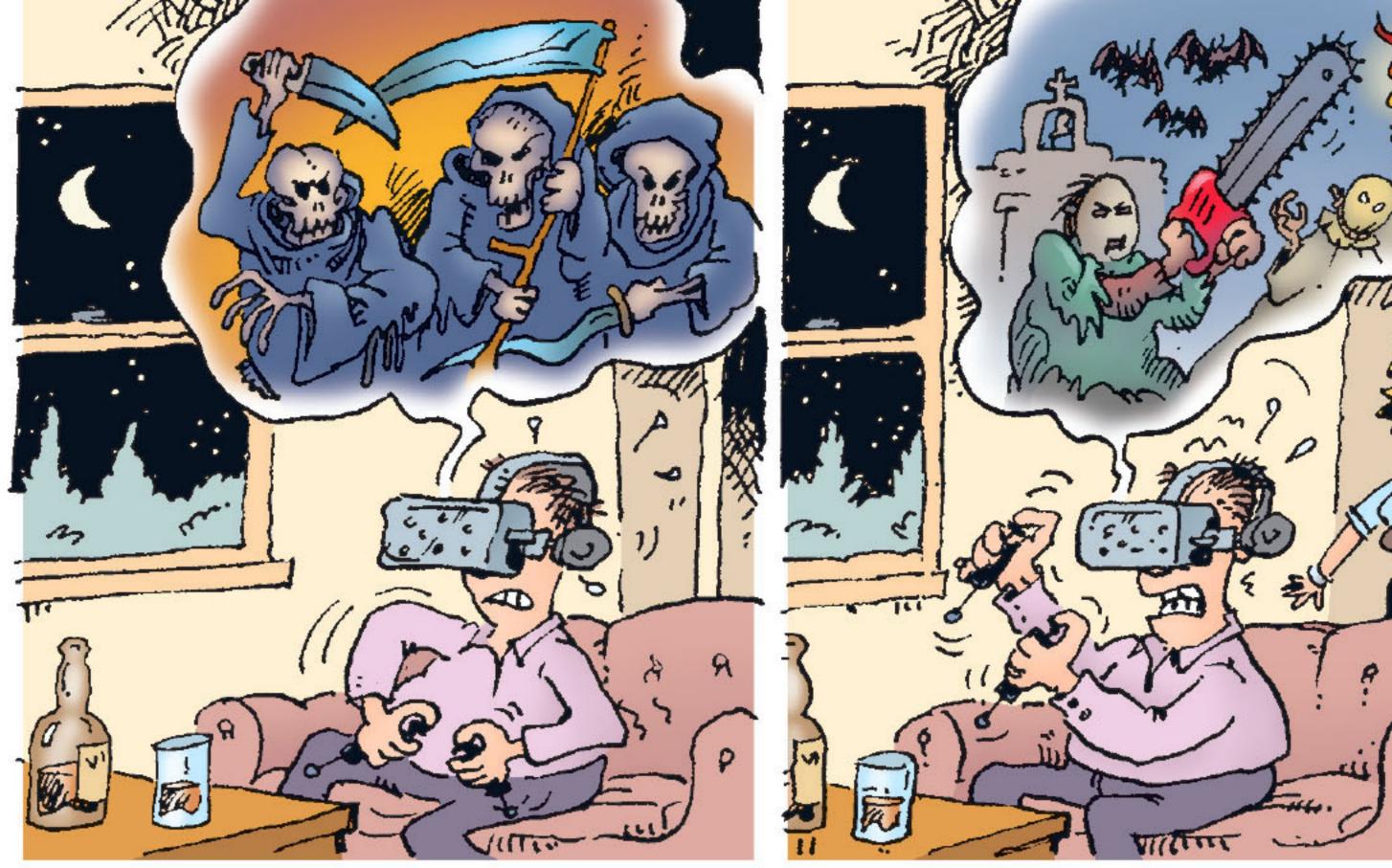


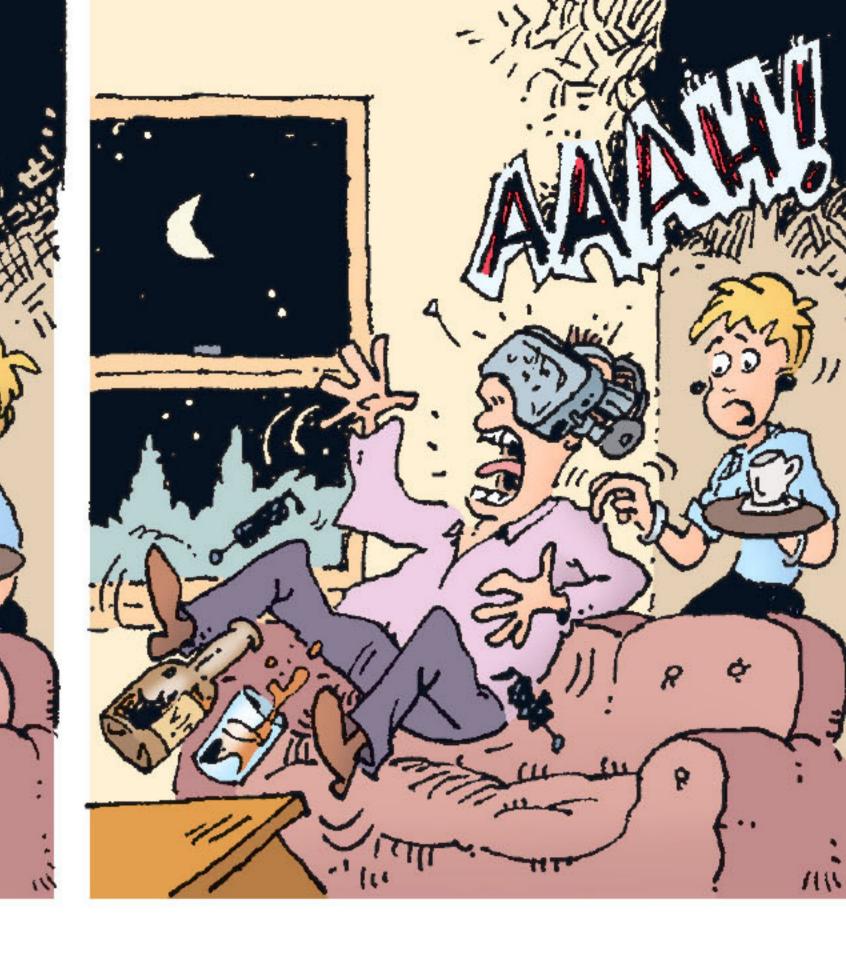




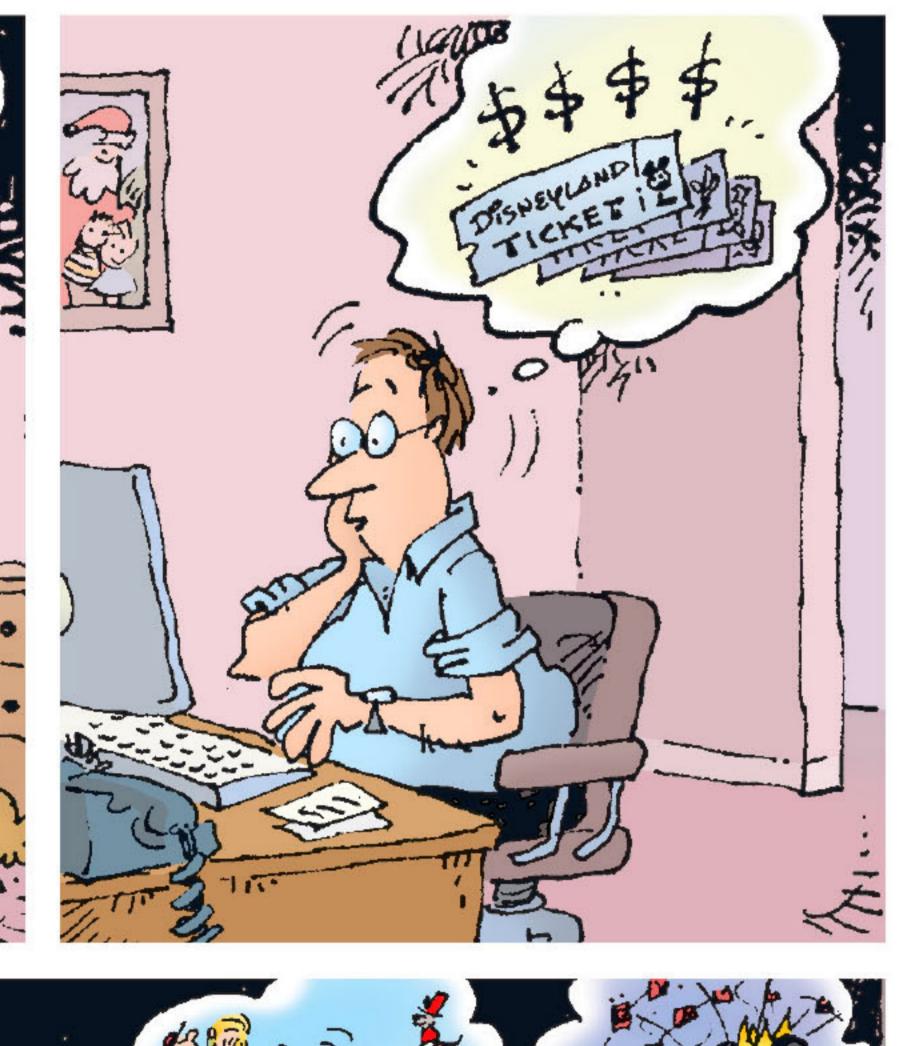


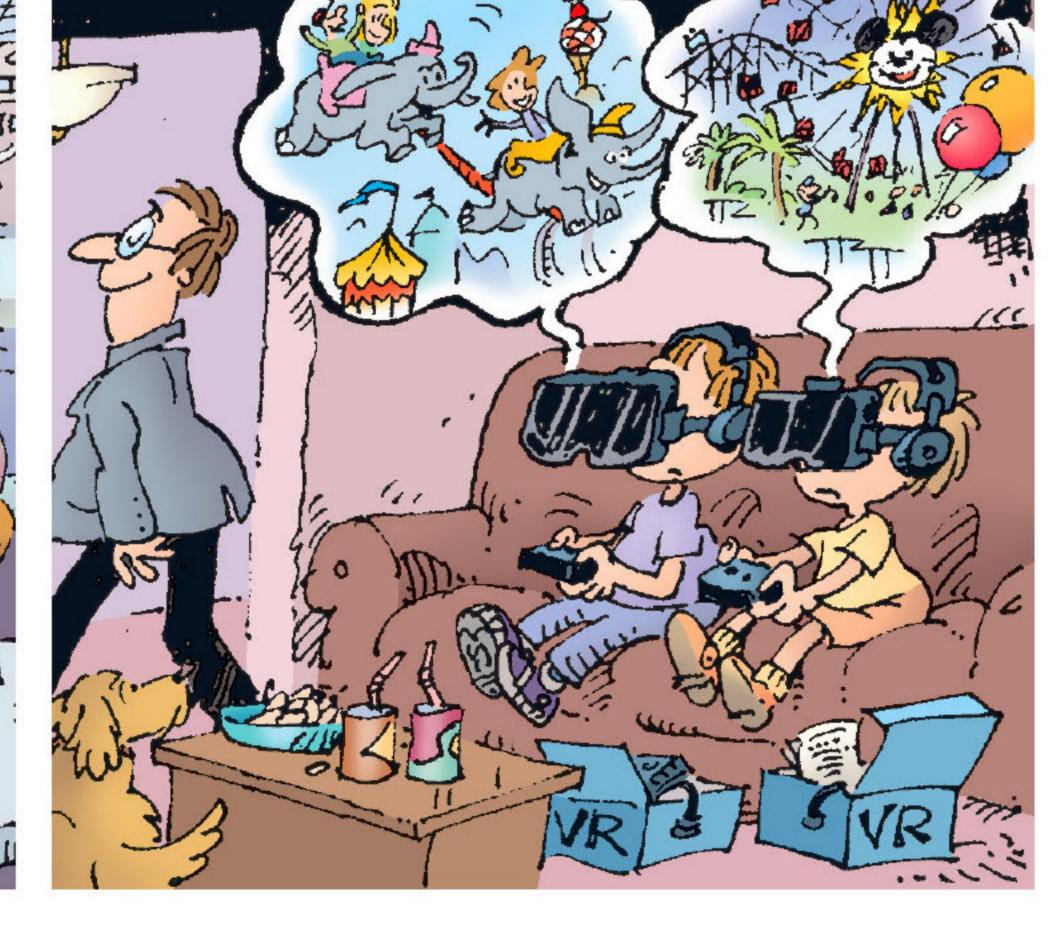






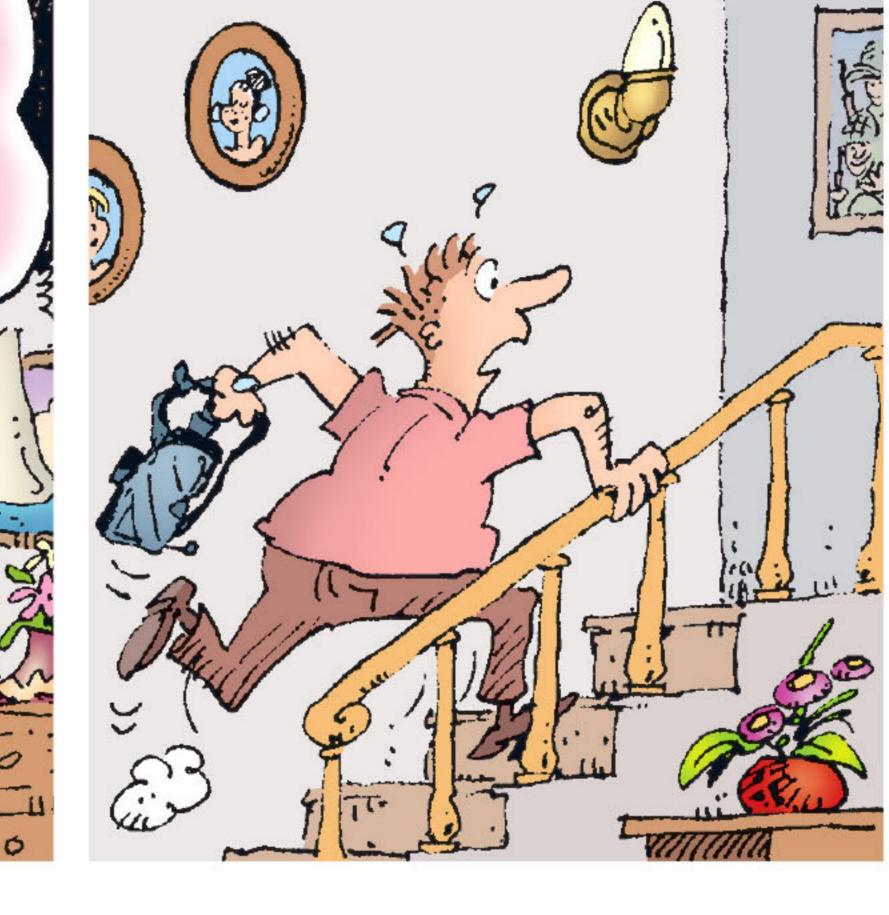


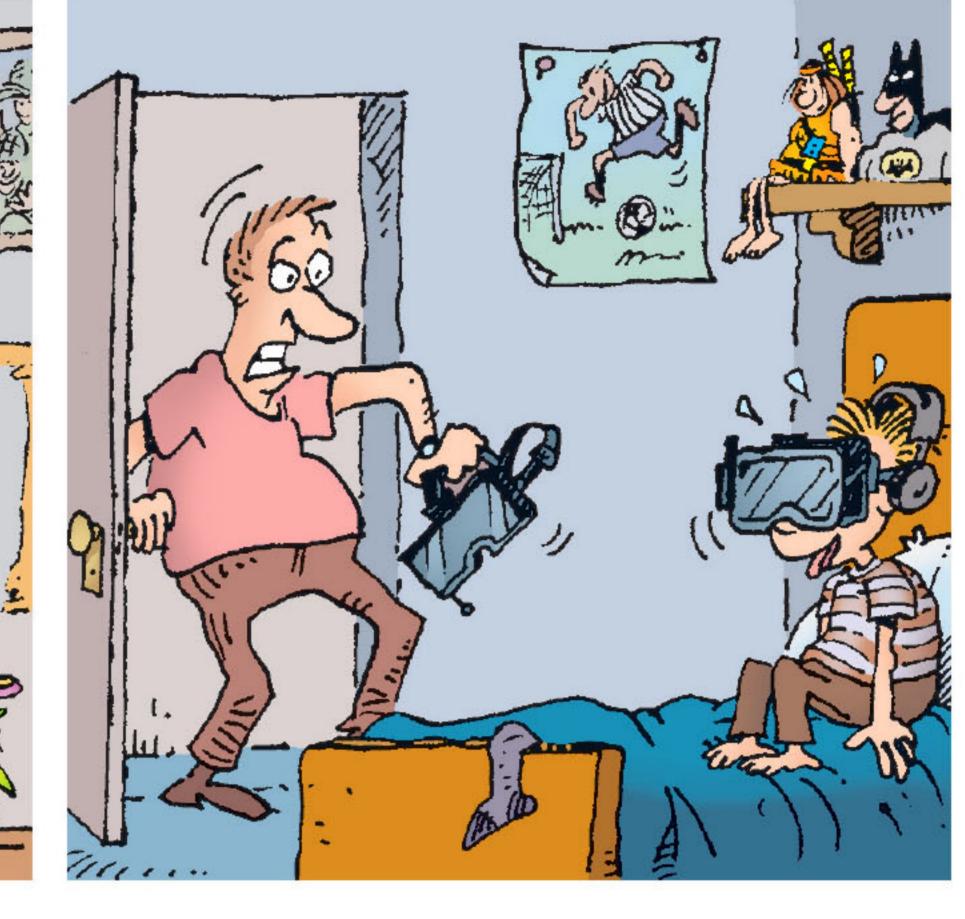


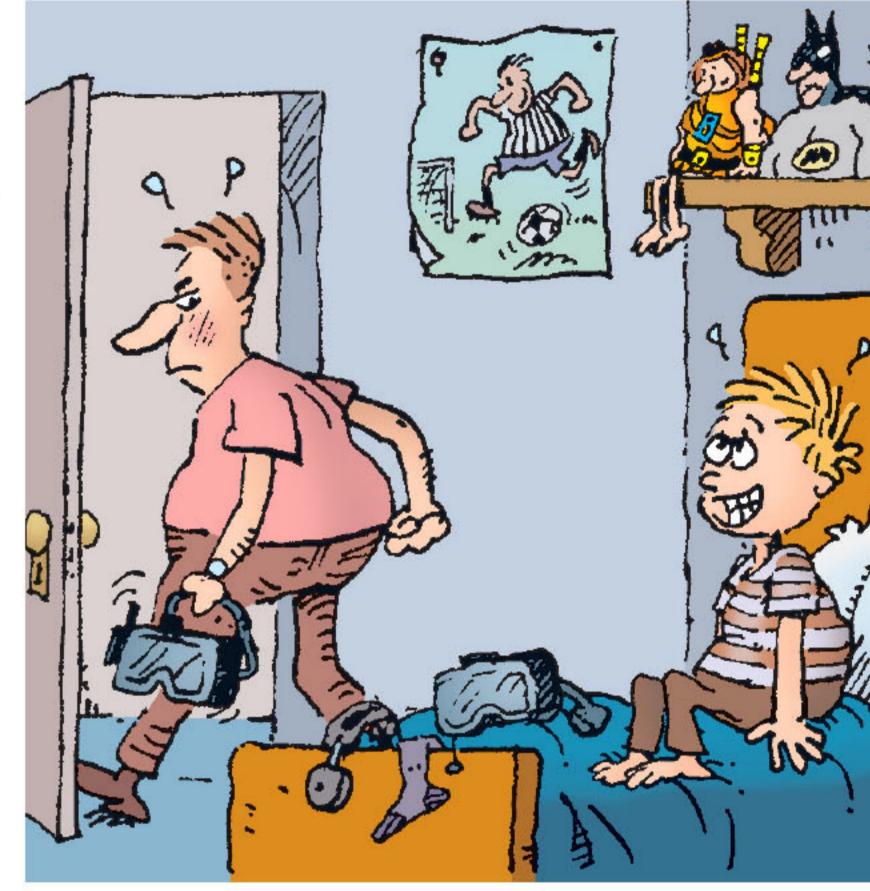


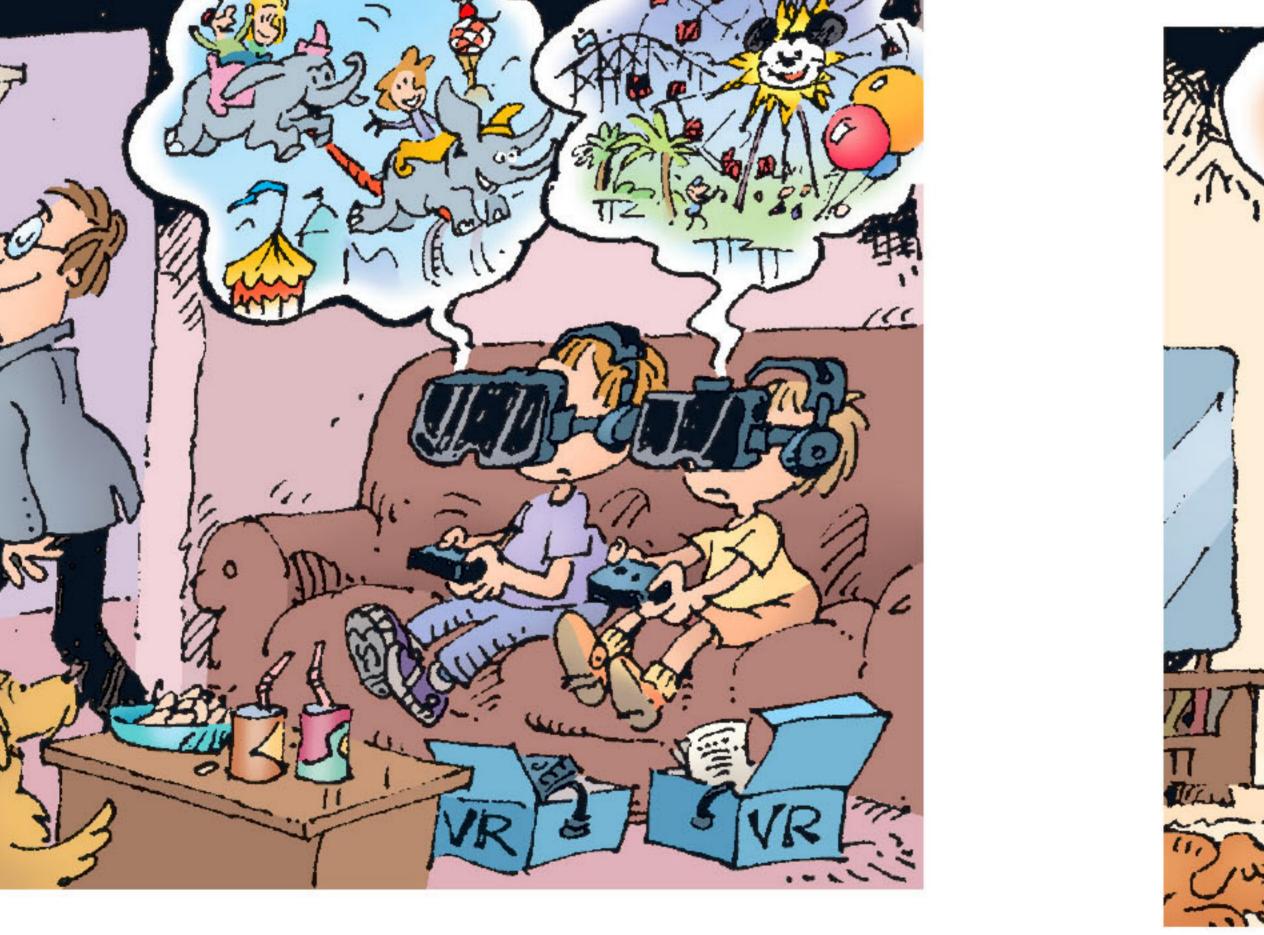


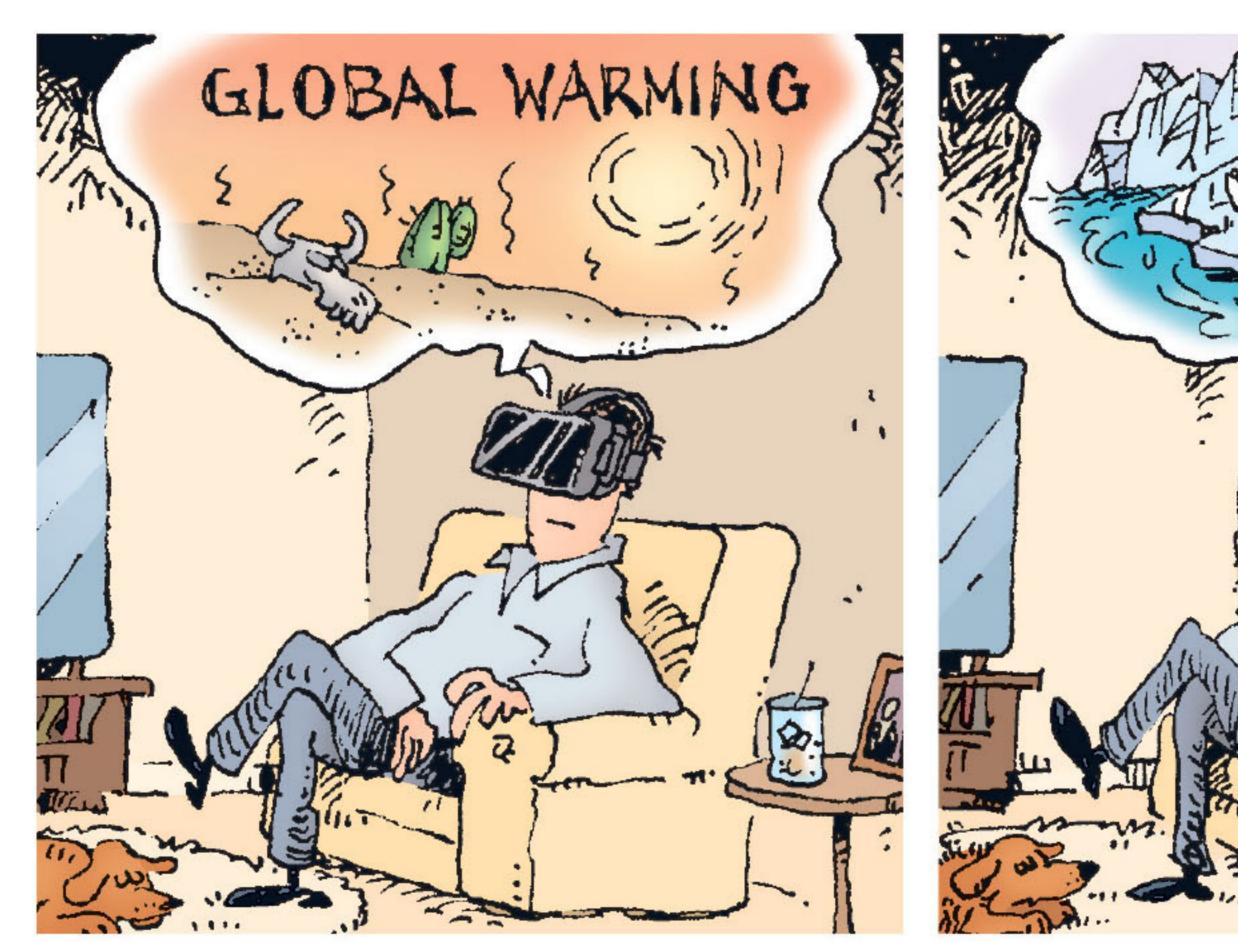






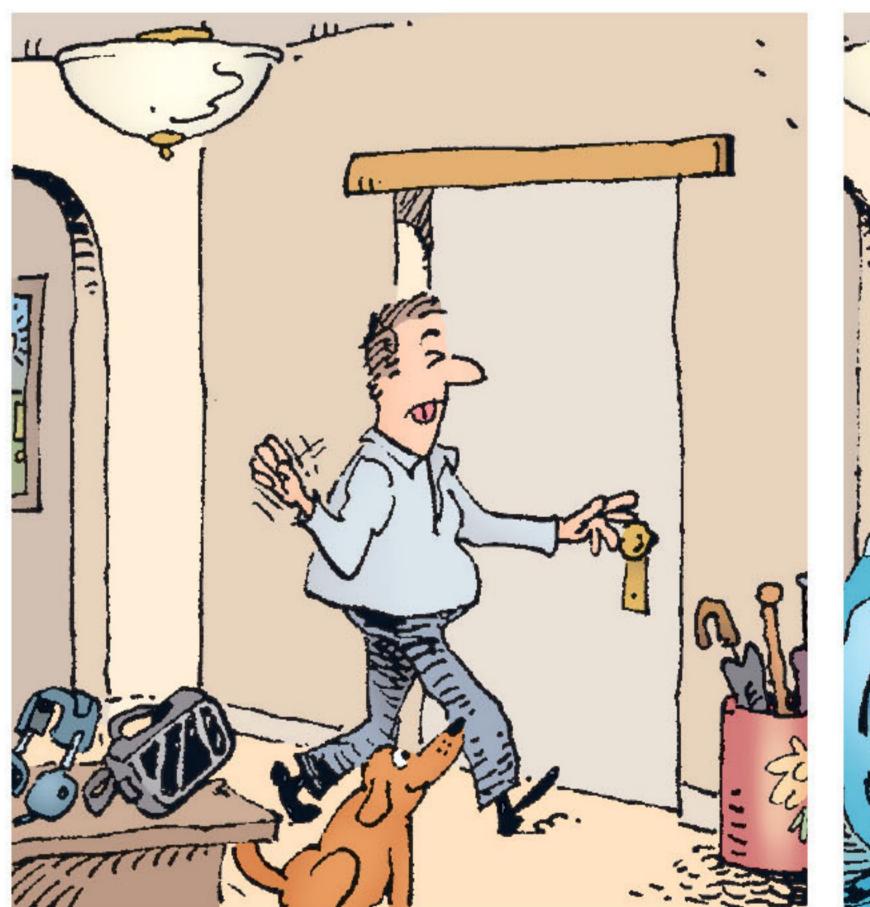










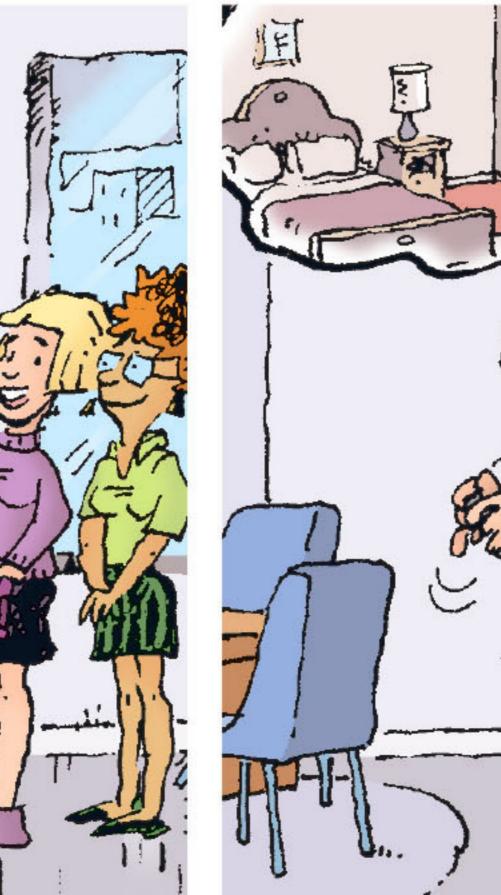


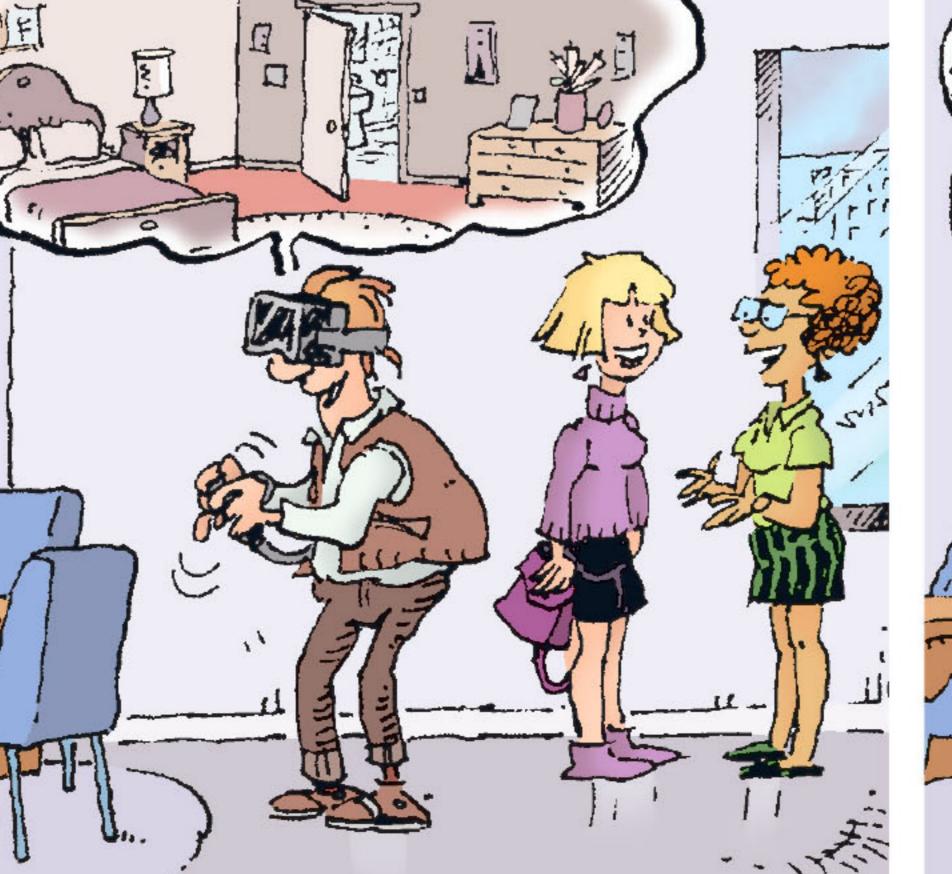


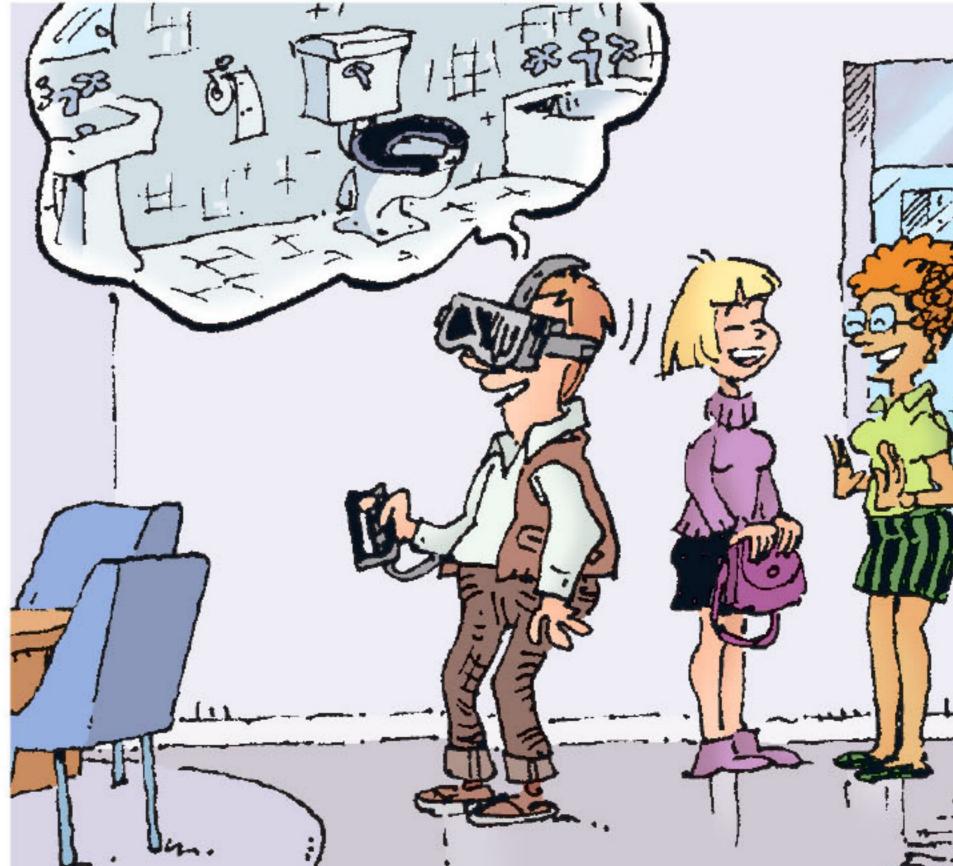


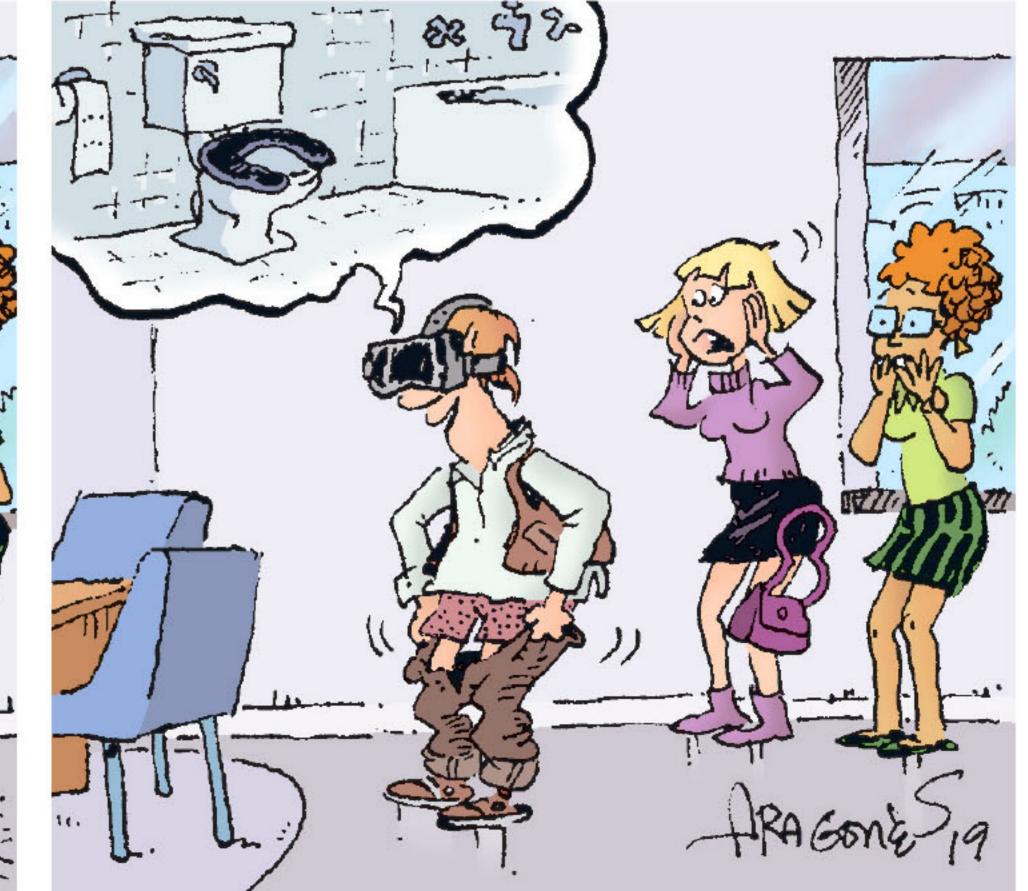














If you're an **Al Jaffee** fan (and let's face it, you are), you know his signature is a drawing of a face instead your classic loop-di-loos. But where in the world did that face **come** from? We asked the man himself, and he presented us with these incredible origin stories!

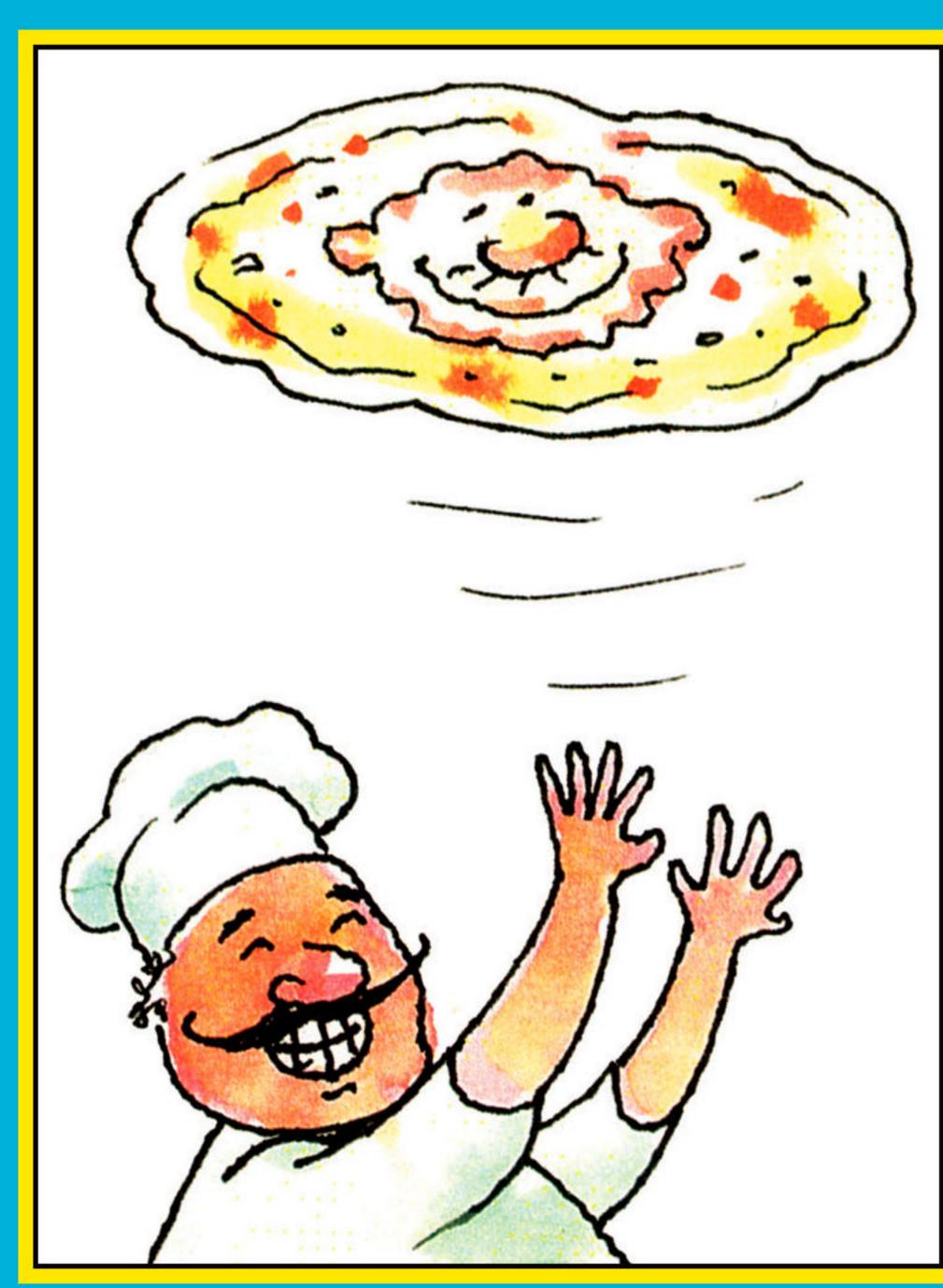
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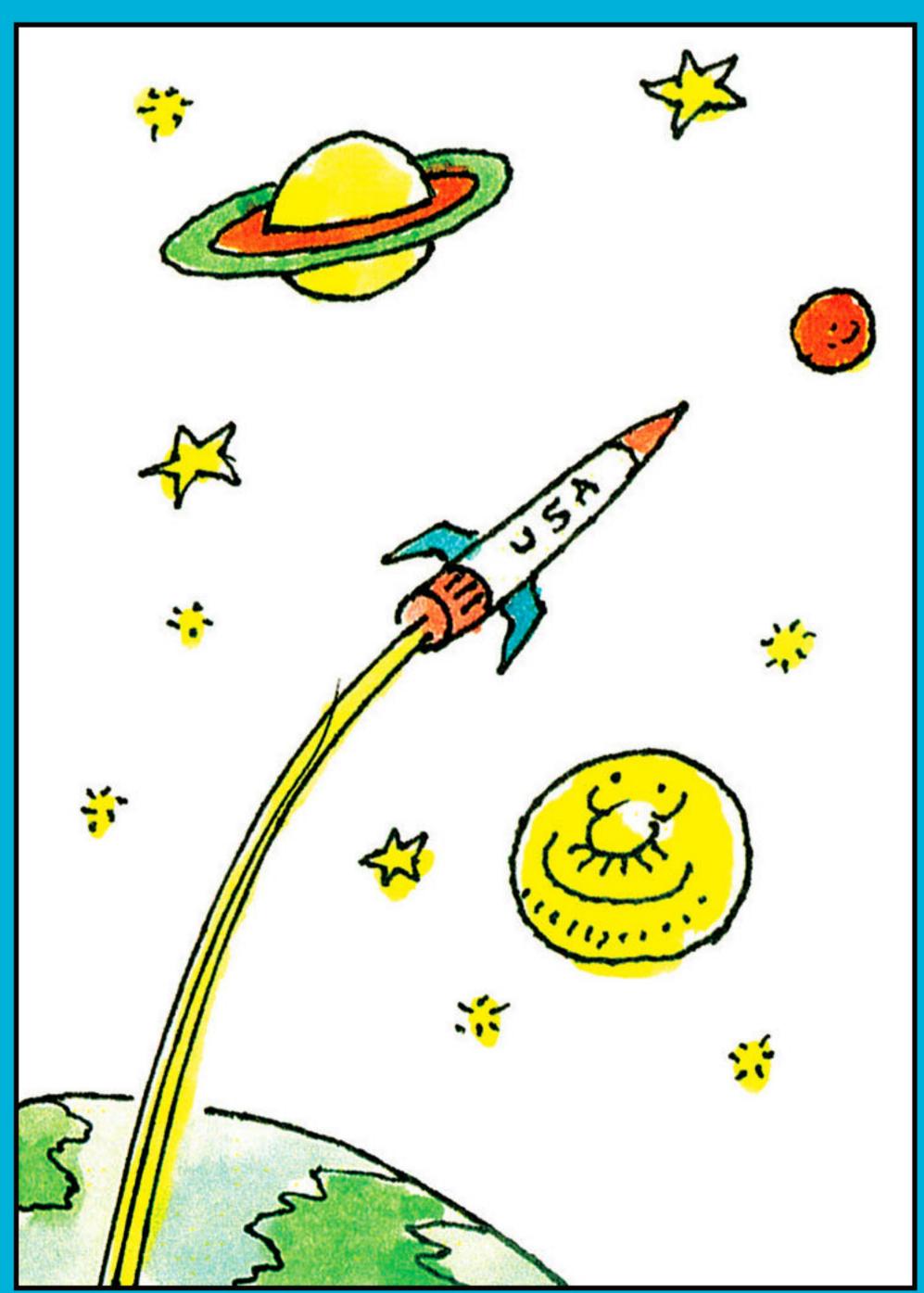


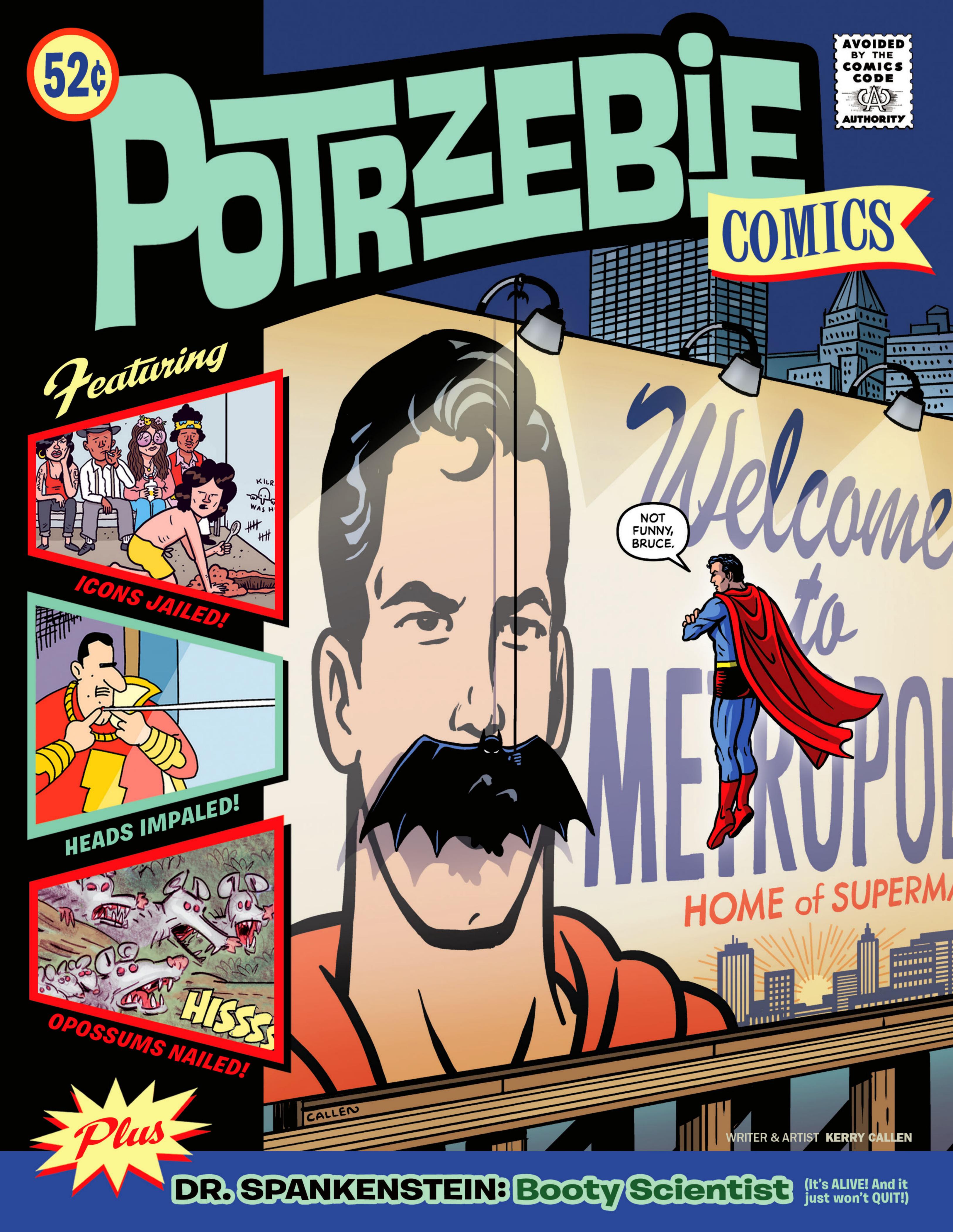


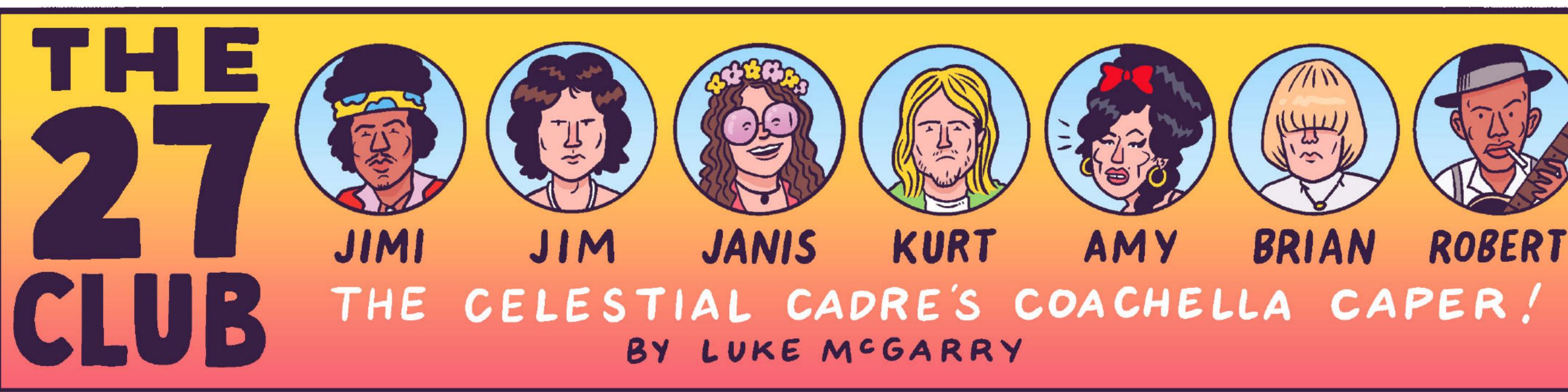


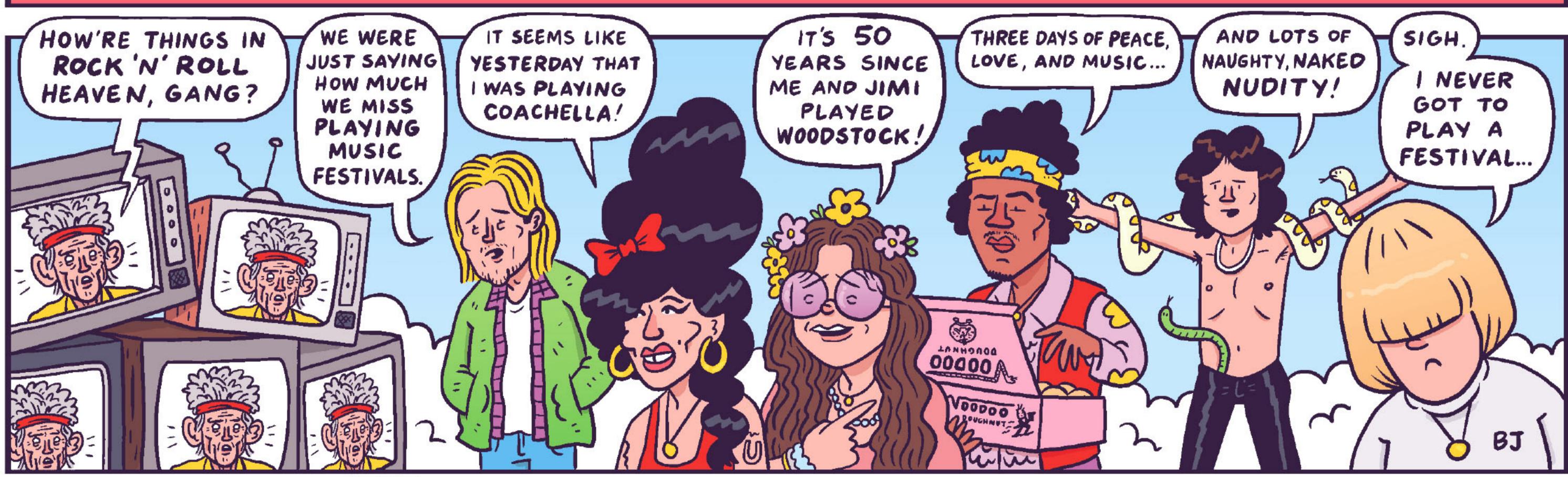






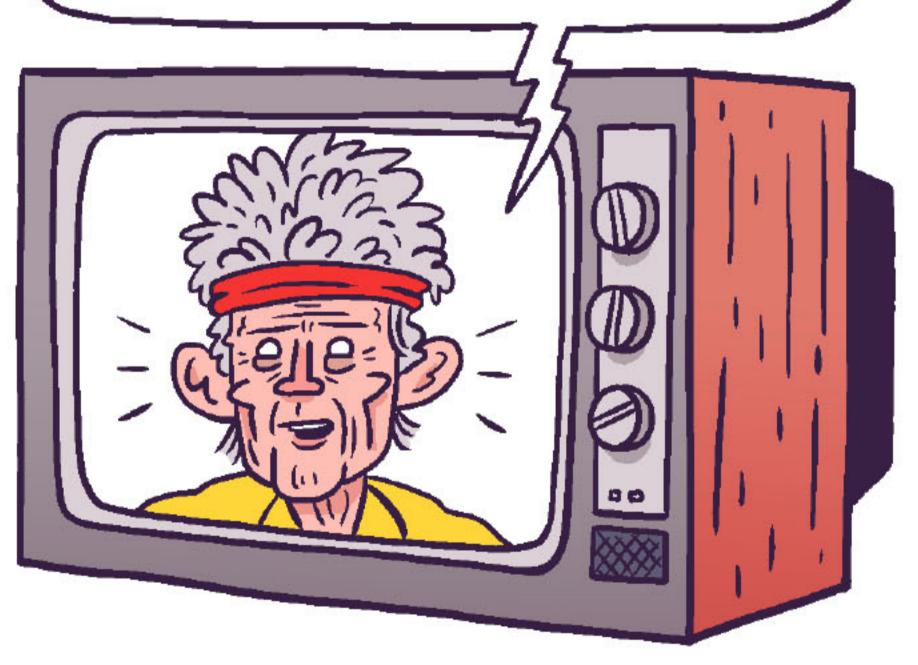


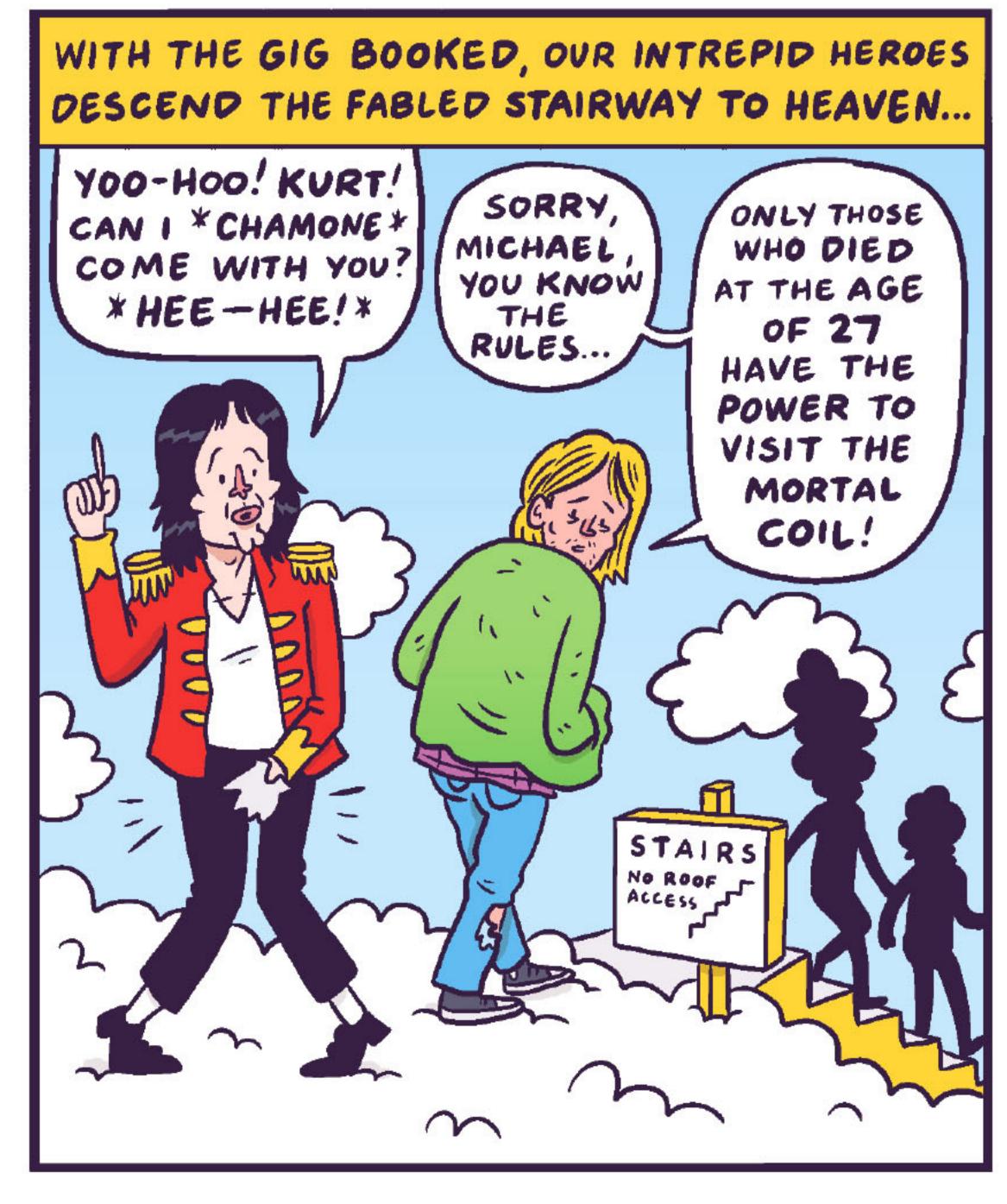


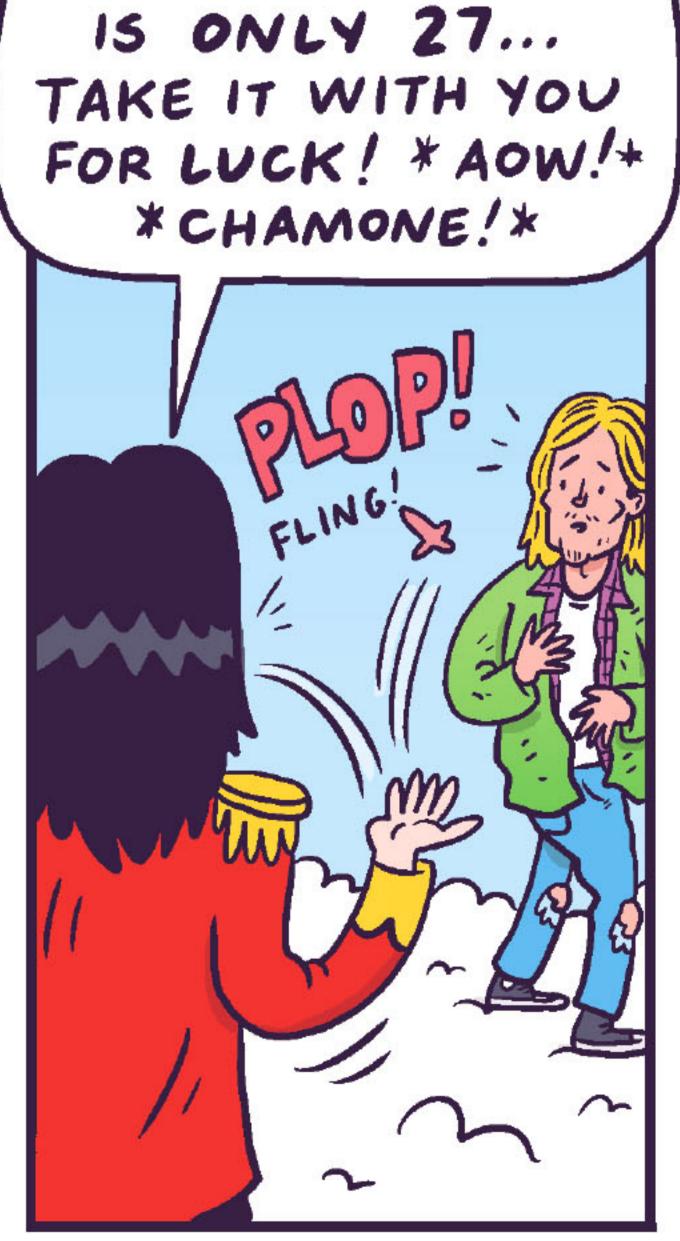




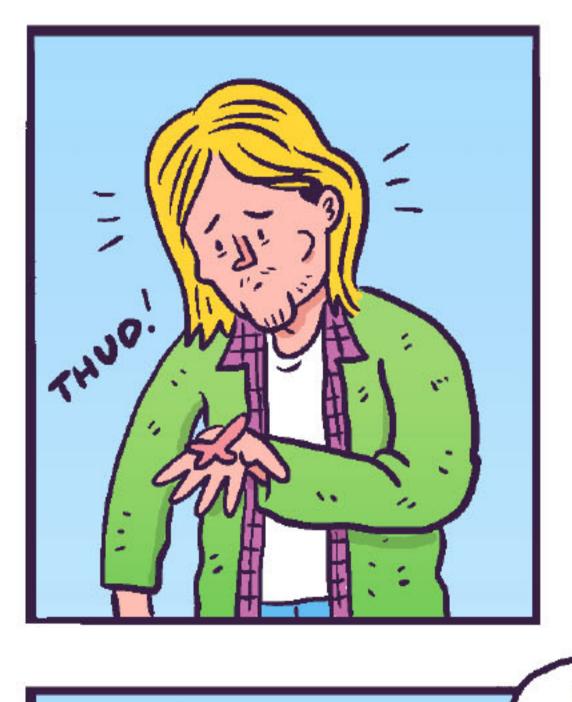
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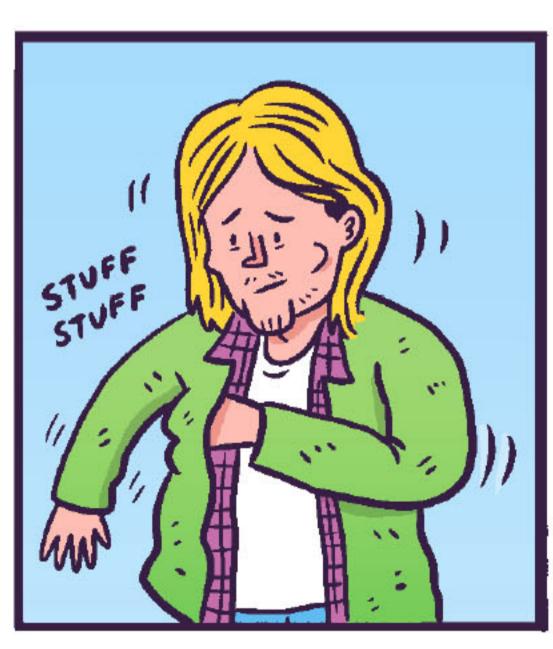






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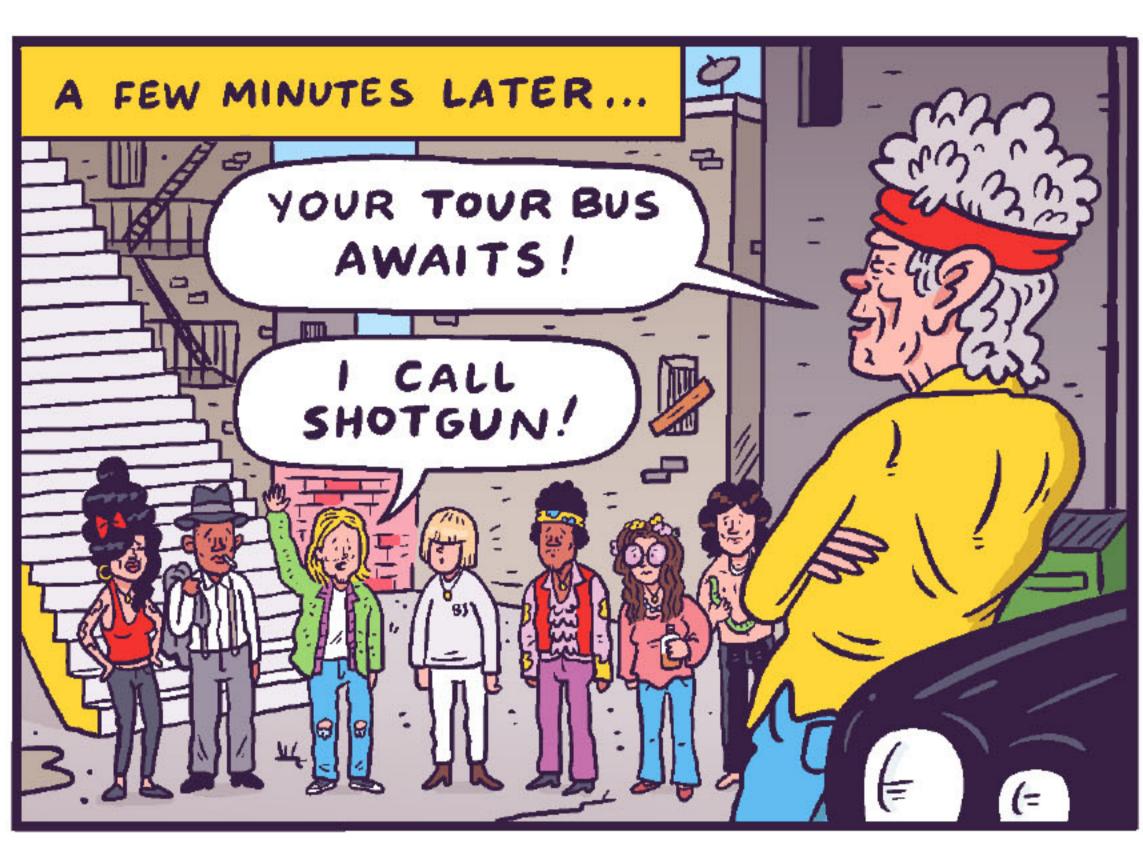




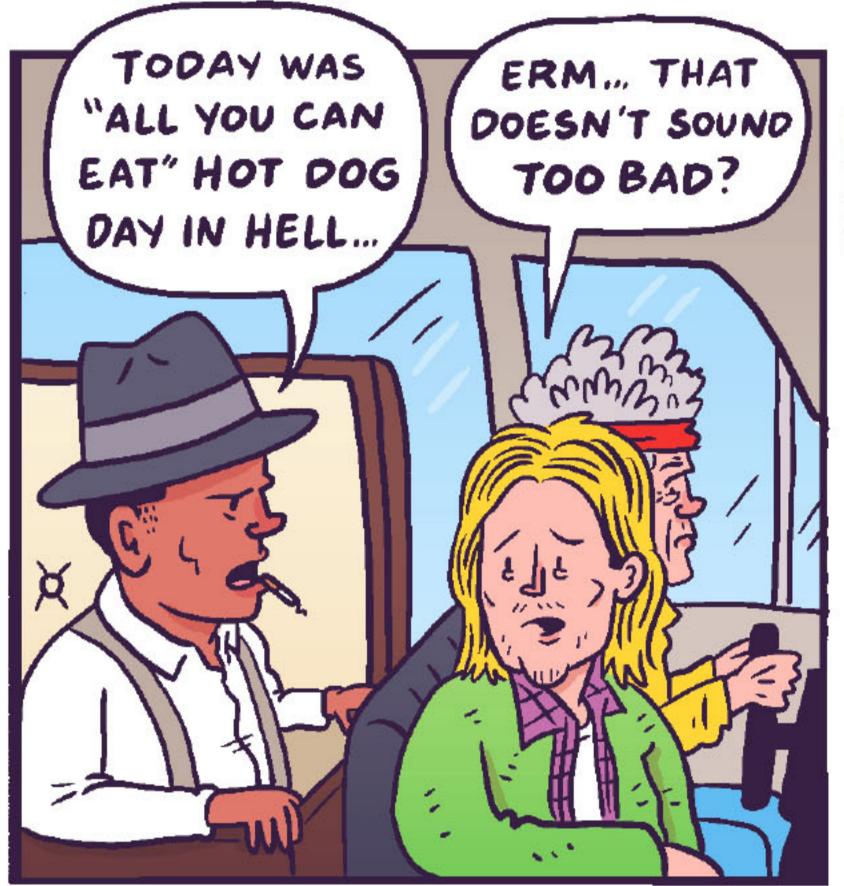
WRITER & ARTIST LUKE MCGARRY





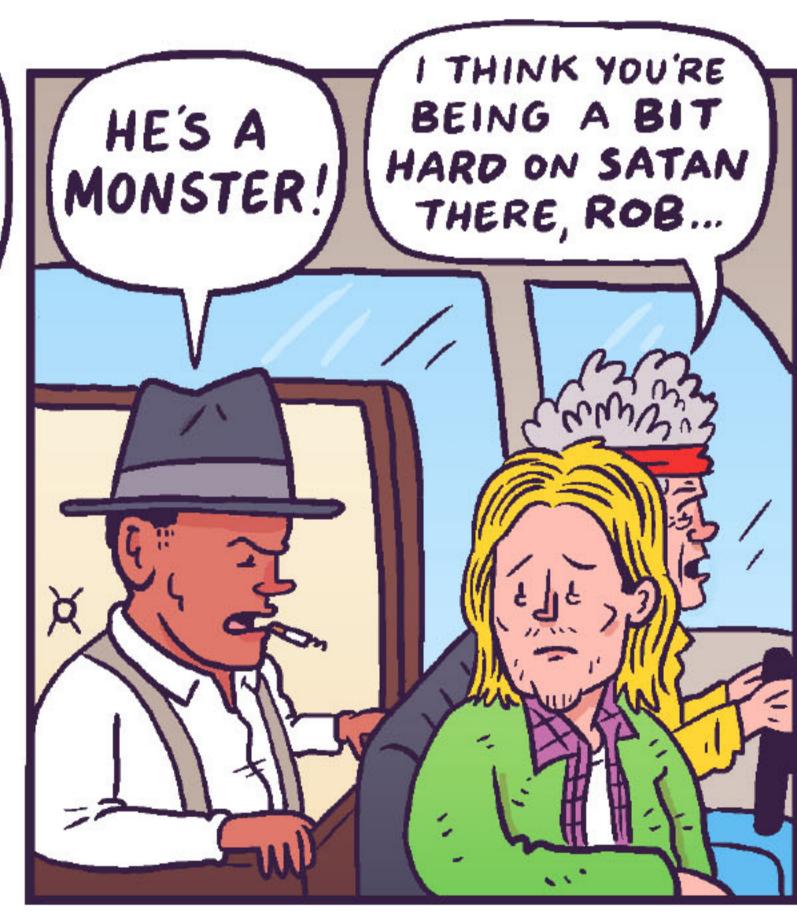


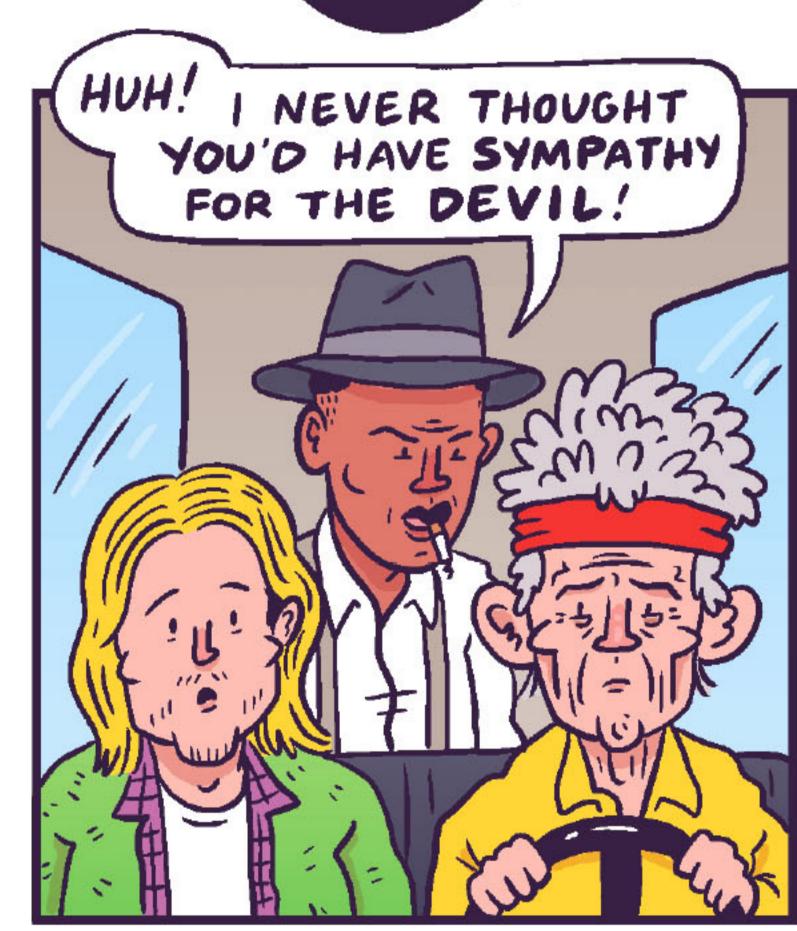






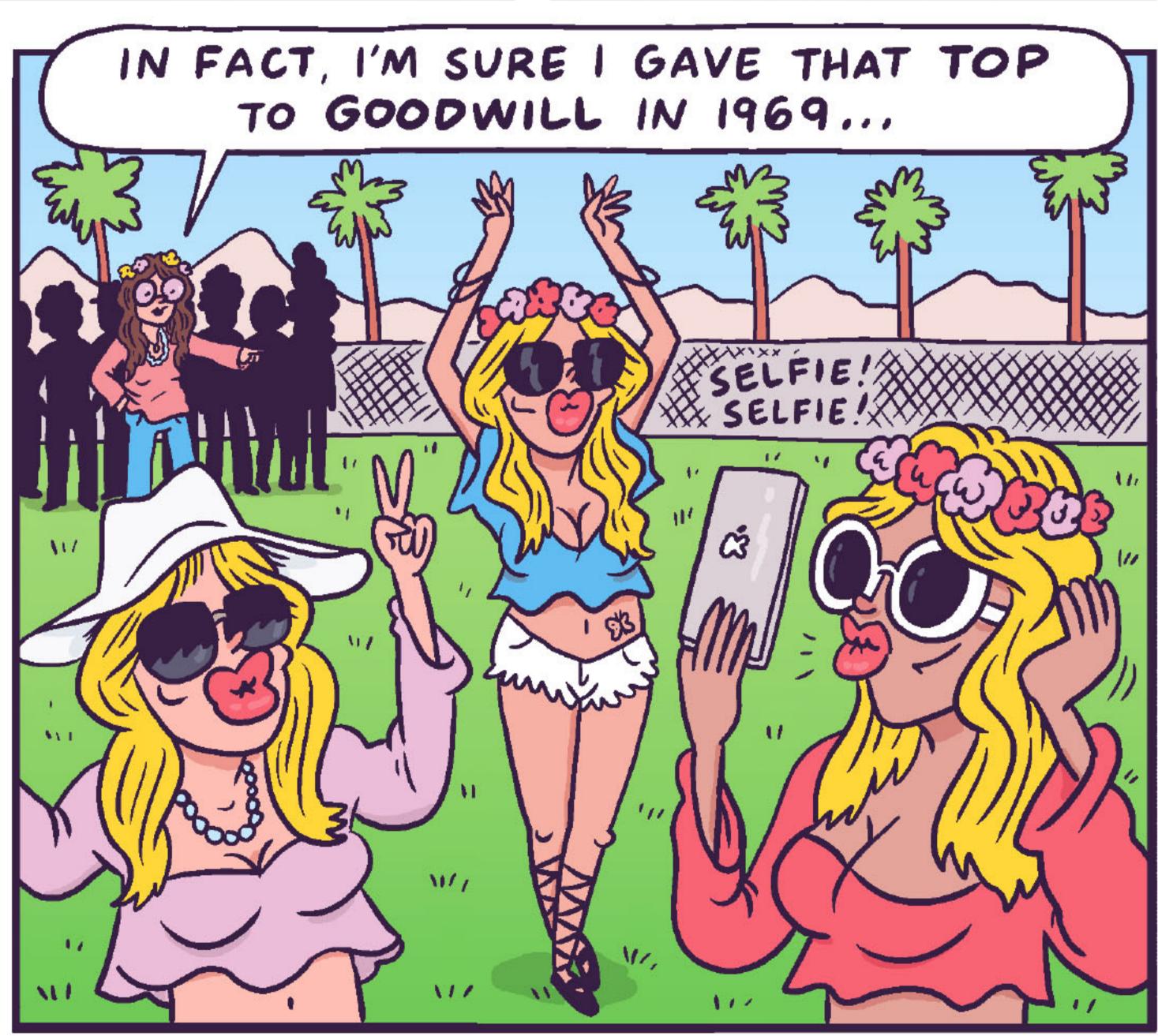
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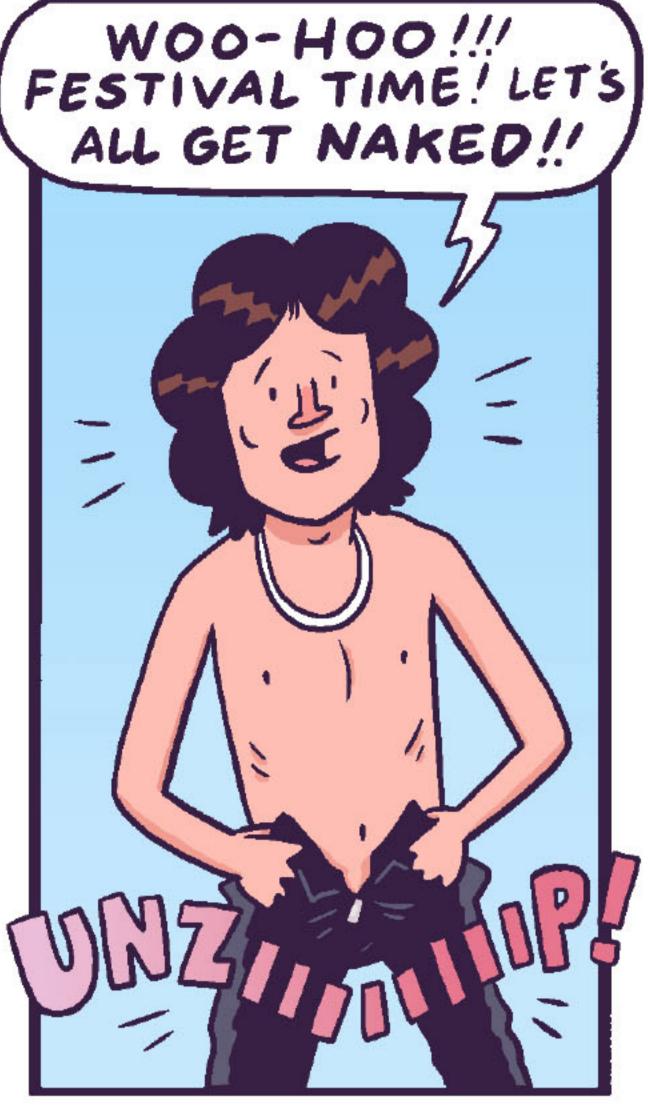














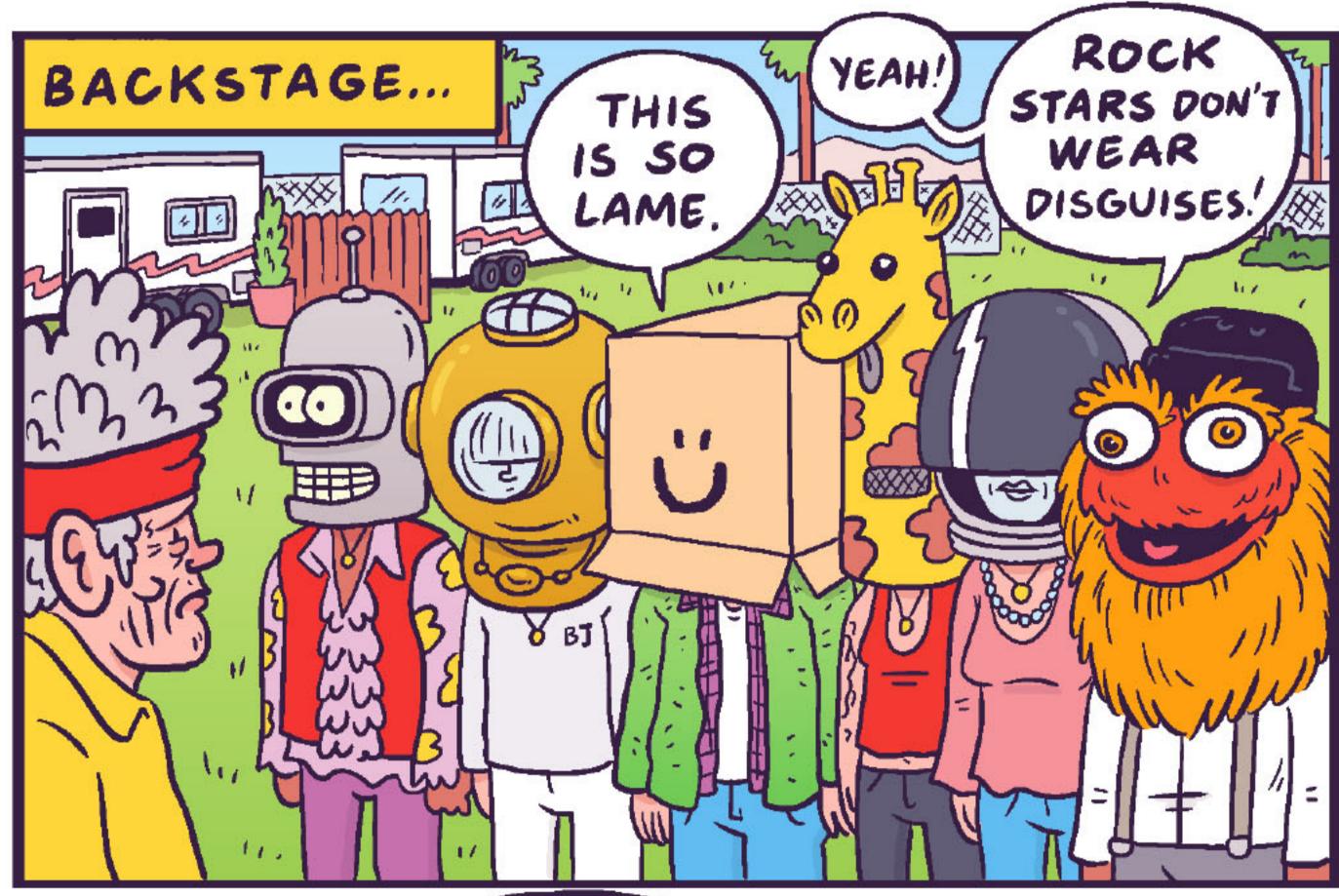


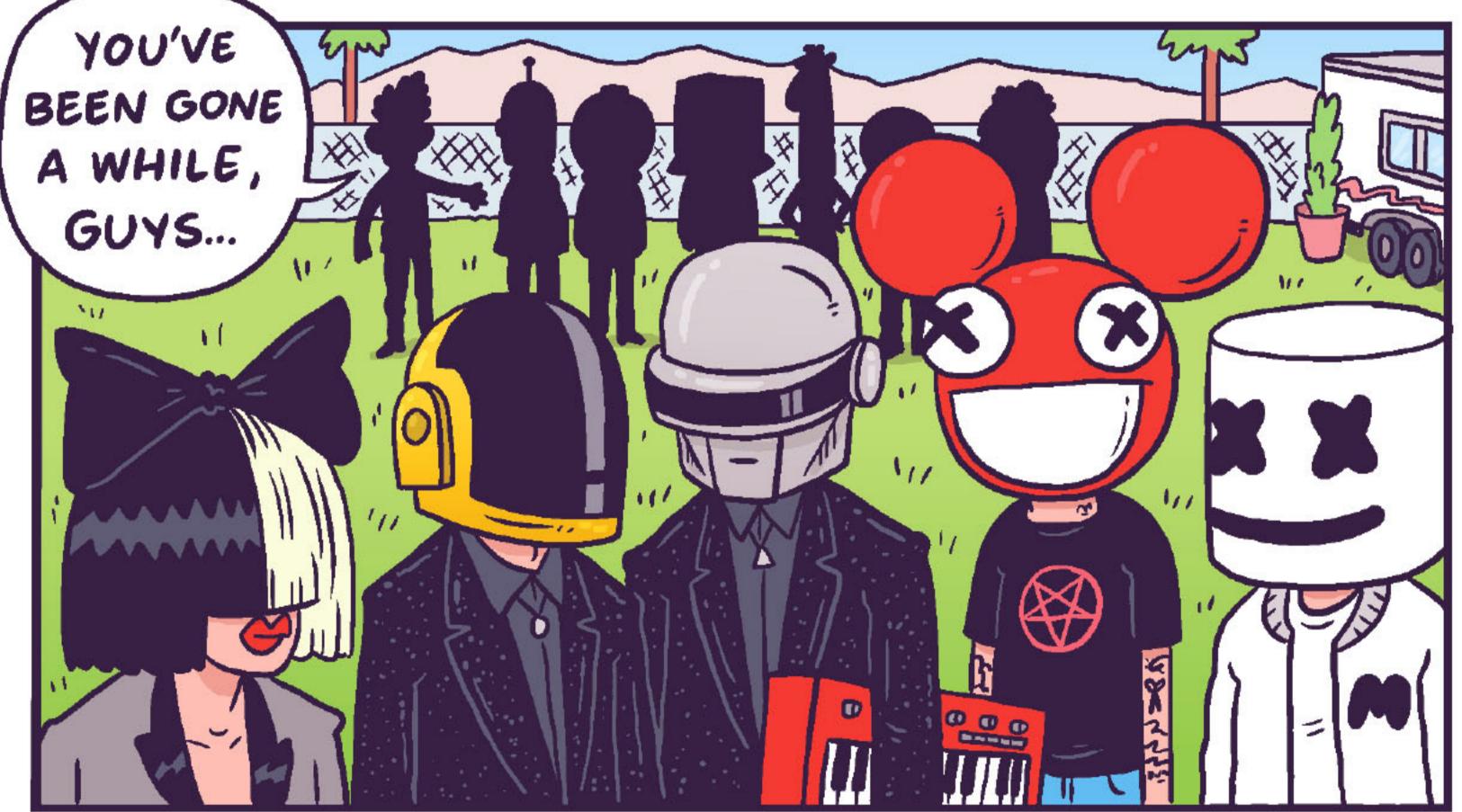


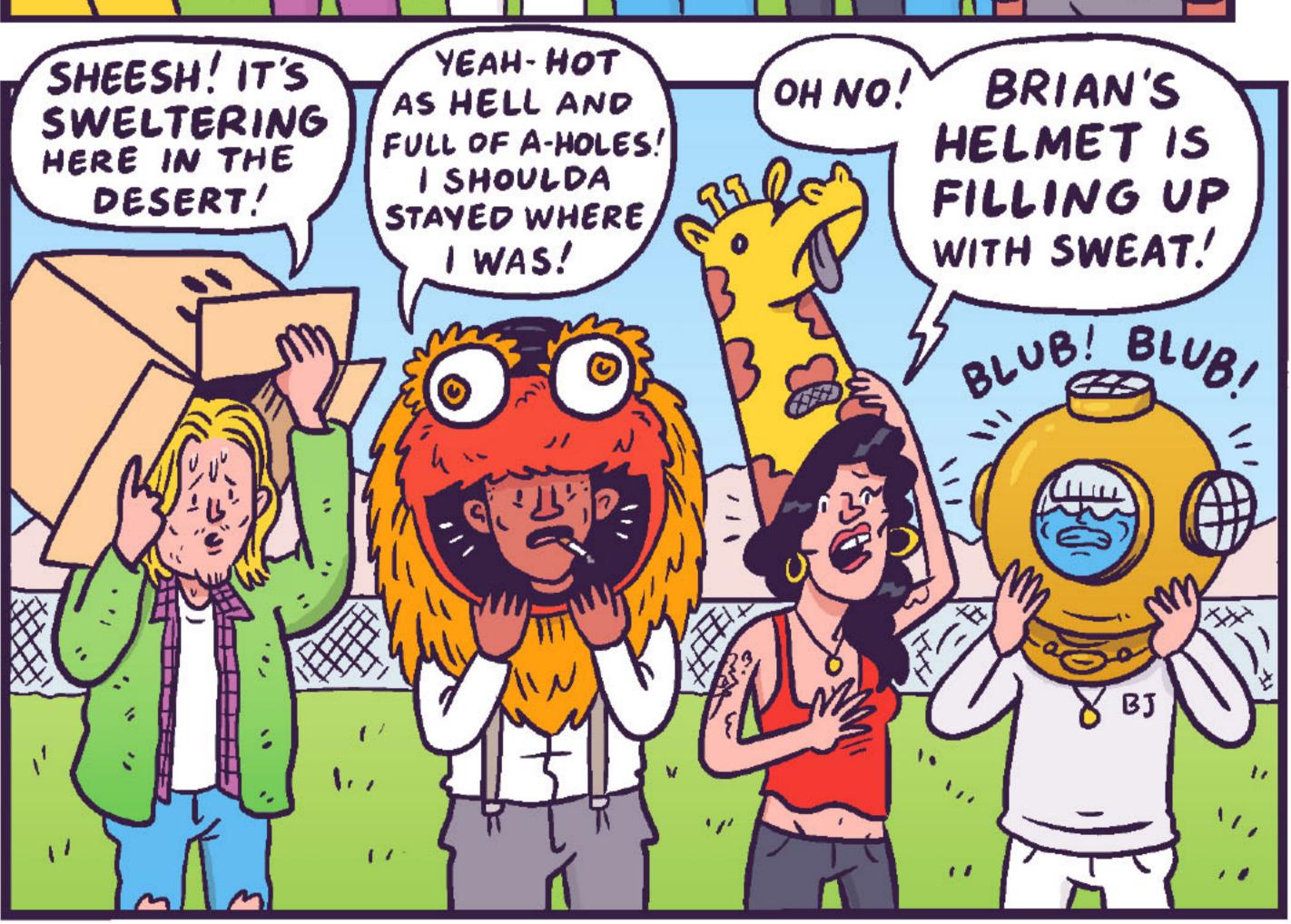




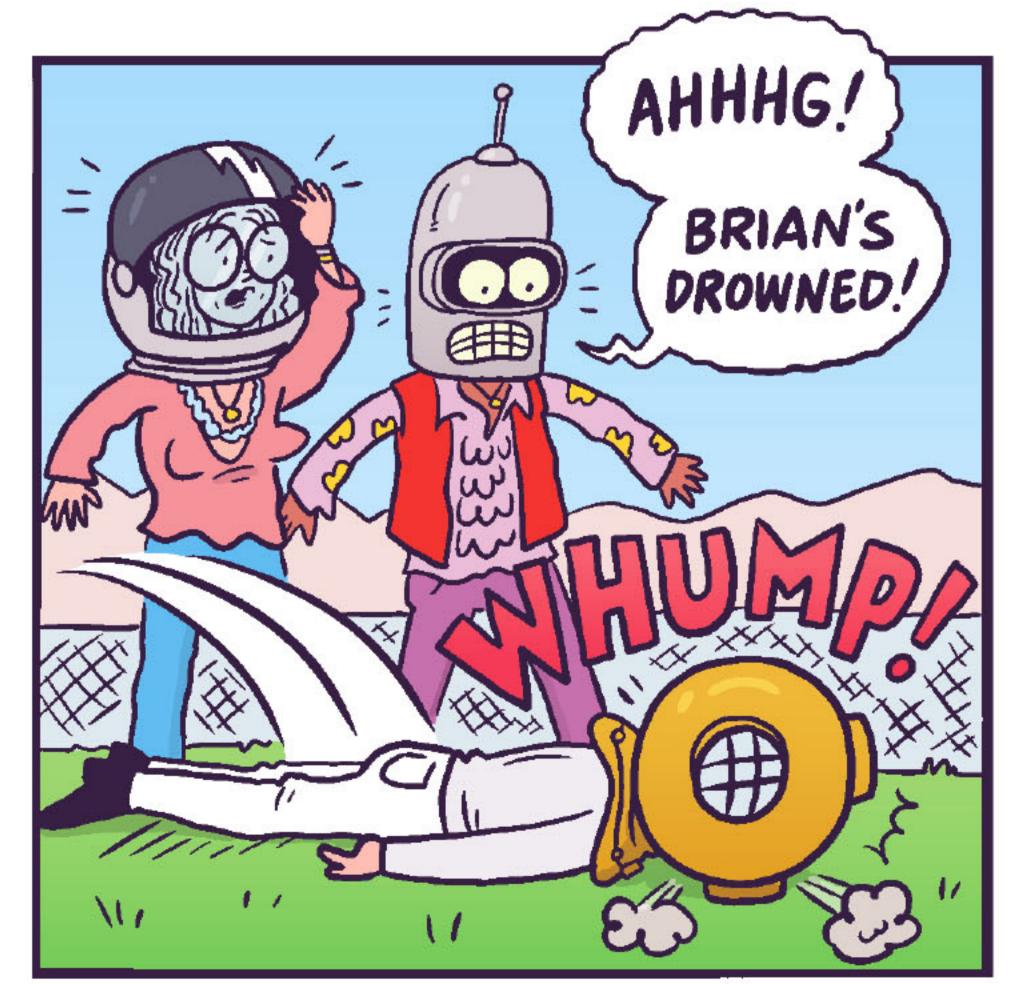




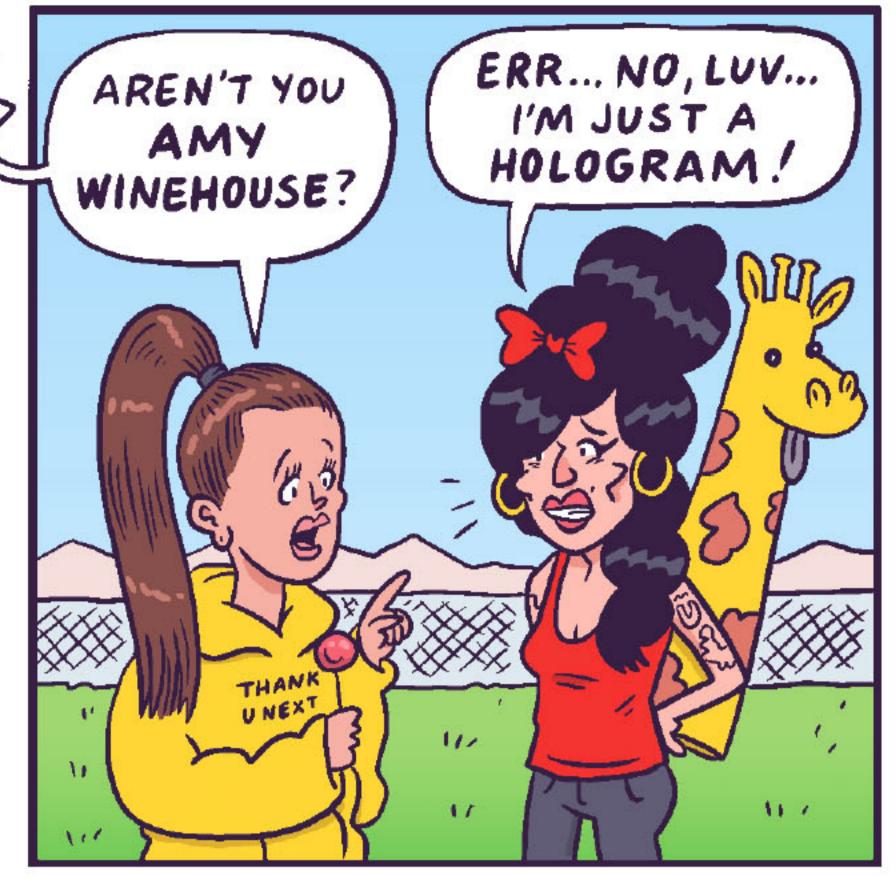








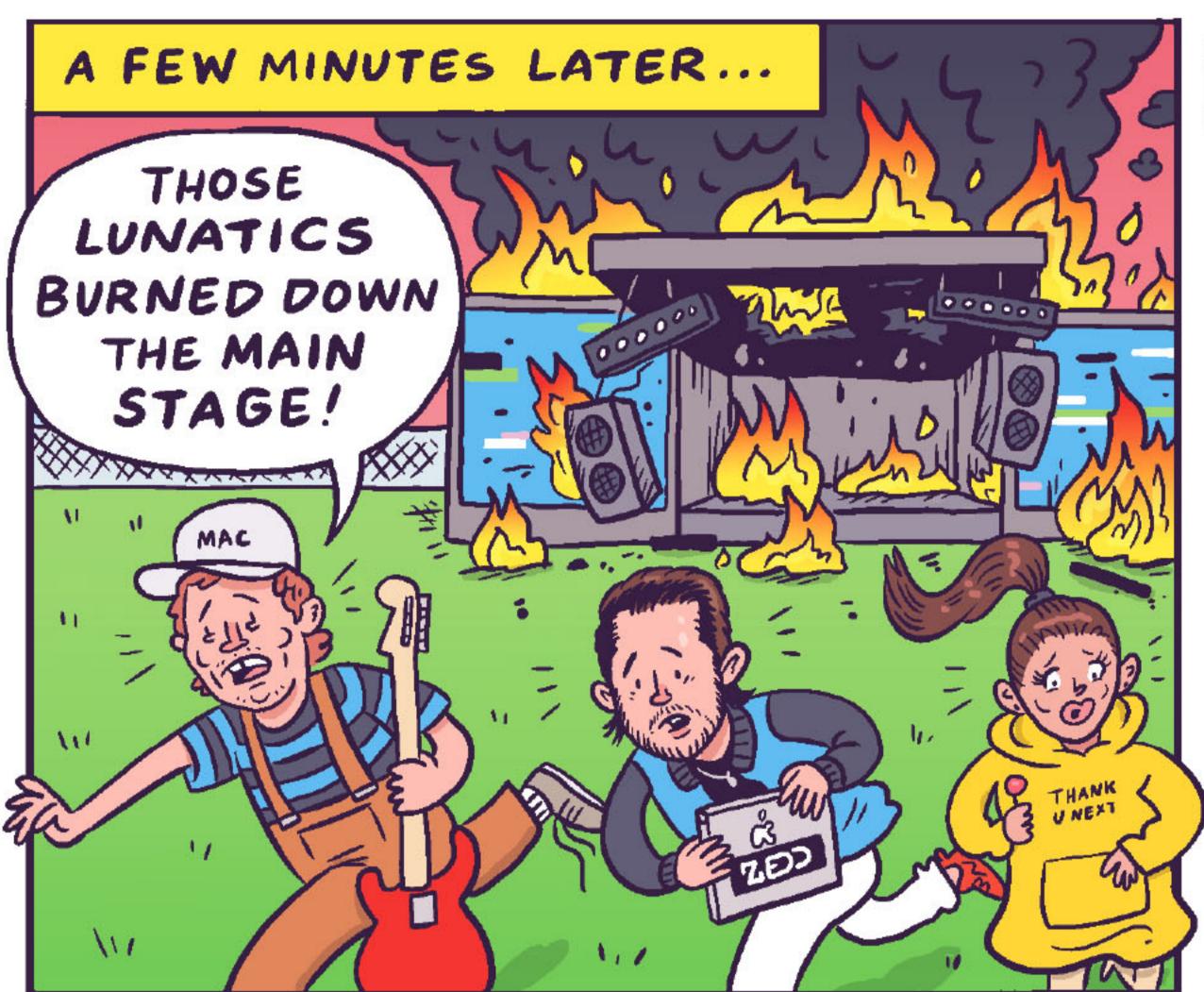




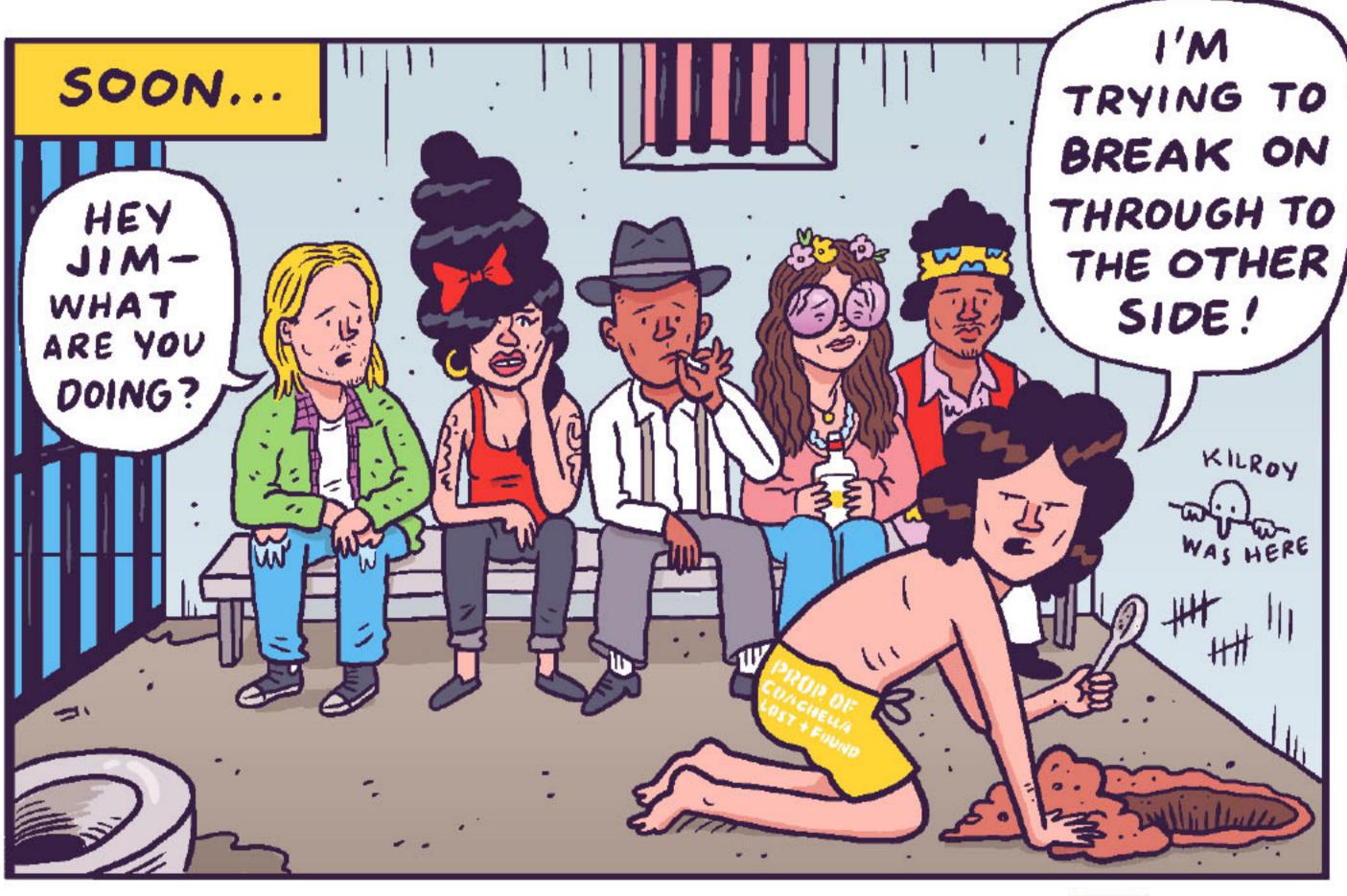






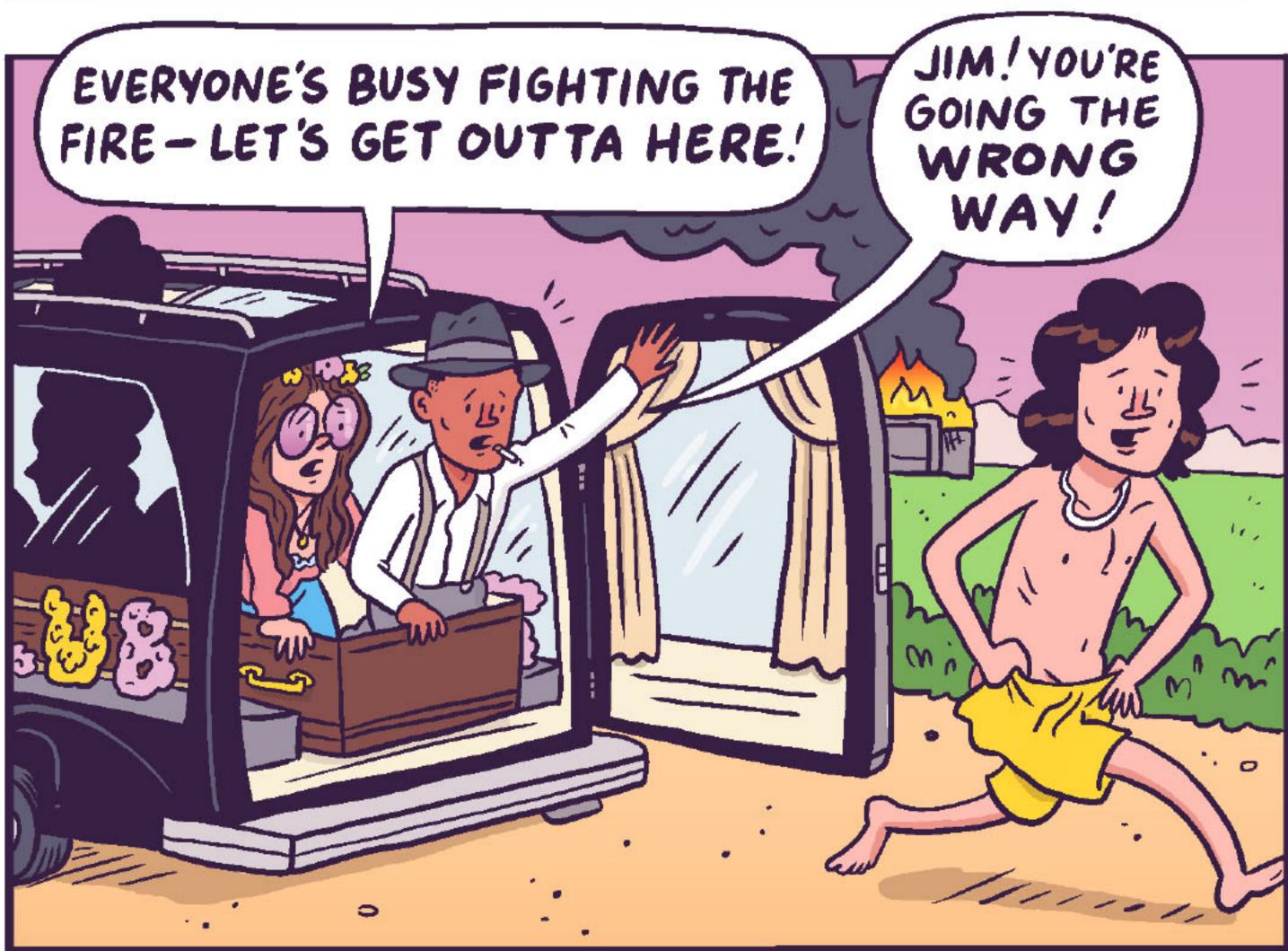














I HEARD THERE'S

ANOTHER FESTIVAL

WHERE EVERYBODY



SHAZAM! FUNNIES

WRITER & ARTIST KERRY CALLEN

STUPID

MARMFUL

ASININE

ZZZ-INDUCING

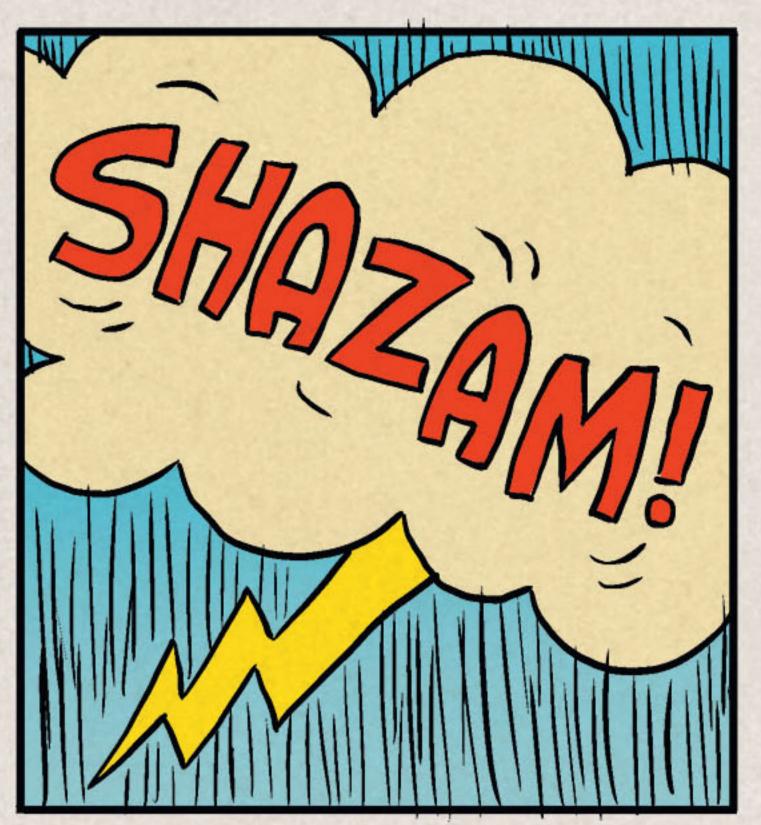
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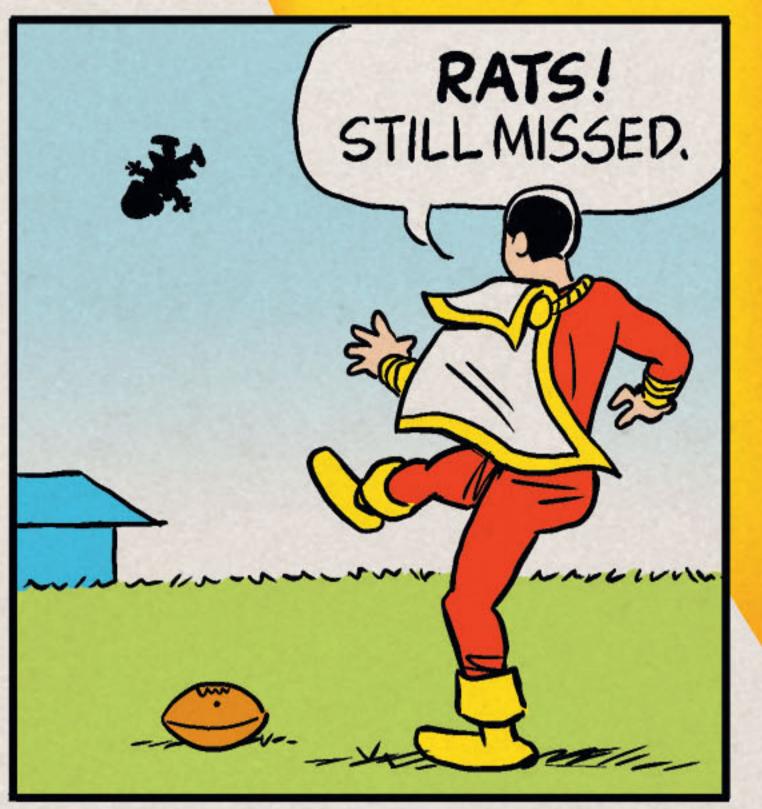
MAD-APPROVED

SHAZNUTS









THE MIGHTIEST MORTAL SIDE



At that moment, the underworld learned to never make fun of Billy Batson's acne problem.

THE JUSTICE CIRCUS



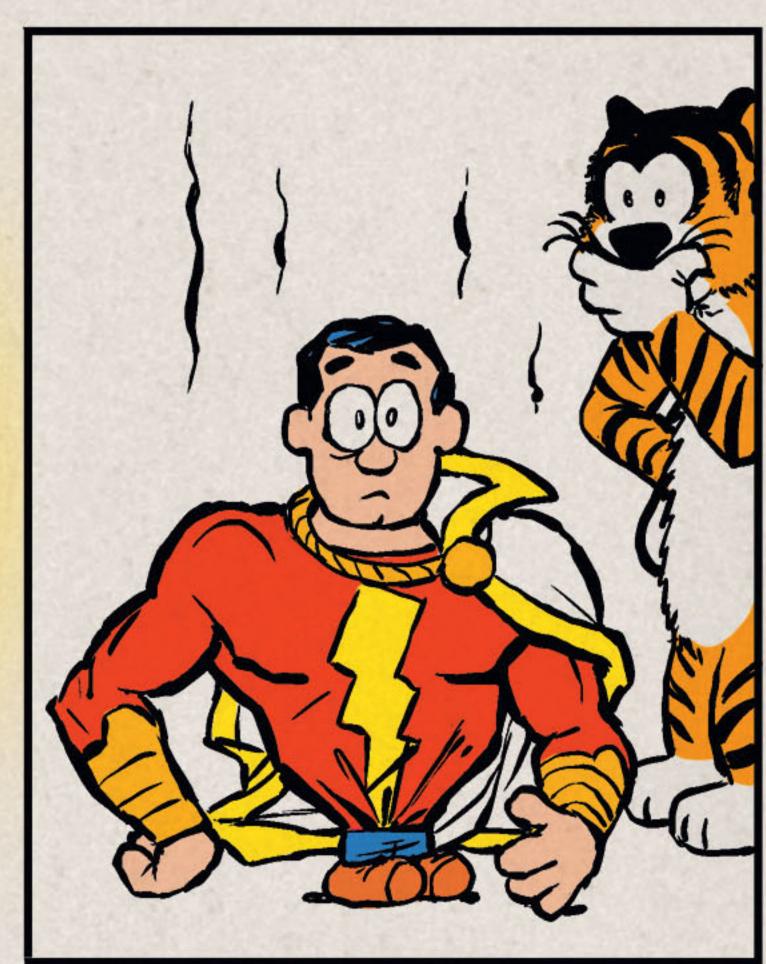
"Hey! Who's the careless slob who was looking at Catwoman files and spilled cola?"

BILLY AND TAWNY











ABANDONED DURING A FIELD TRIP,
YOUNG LUKEY MUENSTER ENLISTED

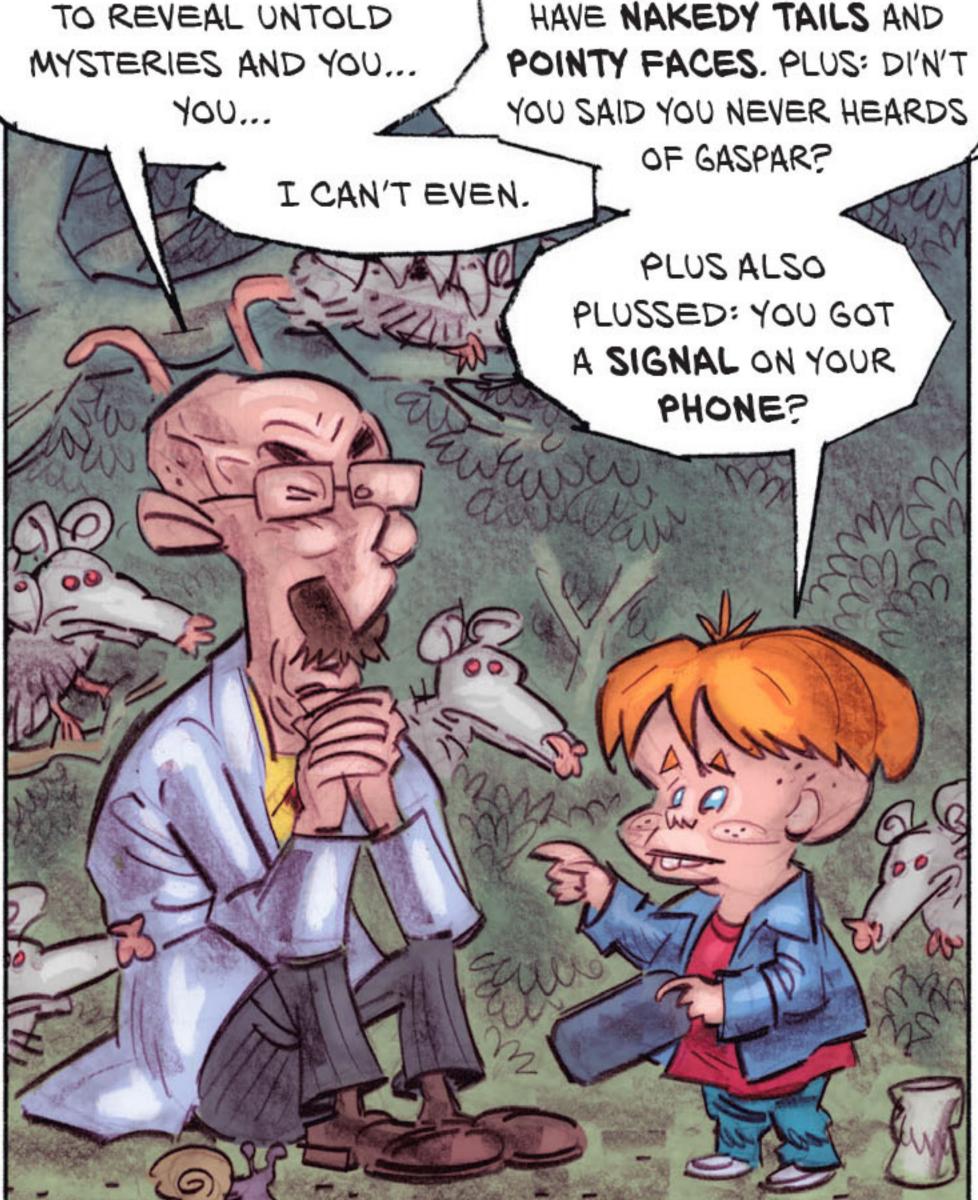
DR. FREDERICK "HOT PEPPER" OBIDIAH

TO GET HIM HOME. WHILE STRANDED ON
A COUNTRY ROAD, DR. OBIDIAH INADVERTENTLY
MENTIONED A FORMER ASSOCIATE NAMED
GASPAR, THEN TRIED TO COVER UP HIS GAFFE.
MEANWHILE, THE VOOGANS' TRAVEL DYNAMICS
DETERIORATED FURTHER AS THEY NEARED
EARTH. WE MET ESME AND DIEGO, FOOD
TRUCK CHEFS. ESME'S BRAIN HAS BEEN
ITCHING AS A RESULT OF INTERSTELLAR
PROBING WAVES (FROM GUESS WHO). AND
MUKEY HECKLED A STAND-UP COMIC,
WHICH WON HIM AN INSTANT CULT. PHEW!



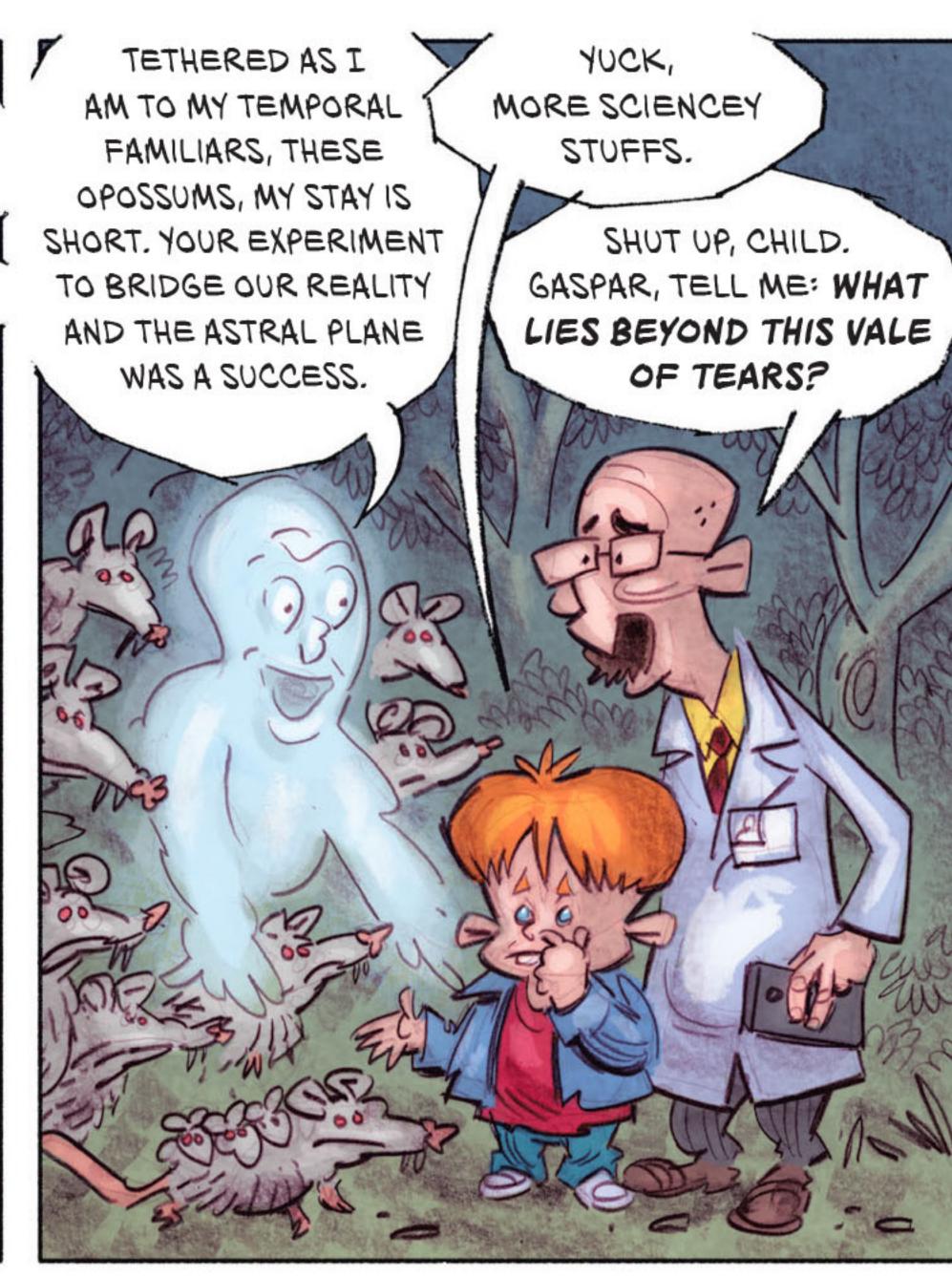




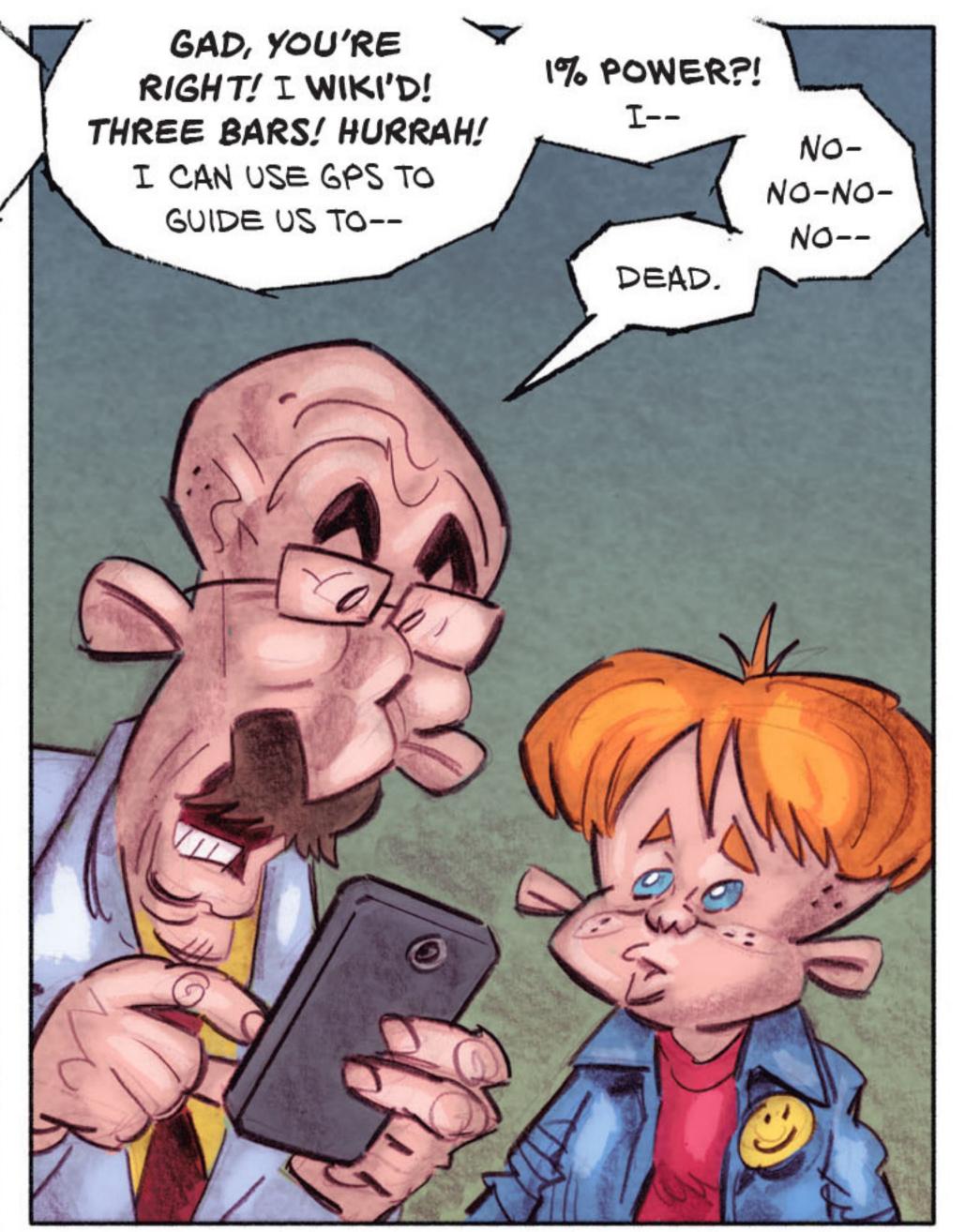


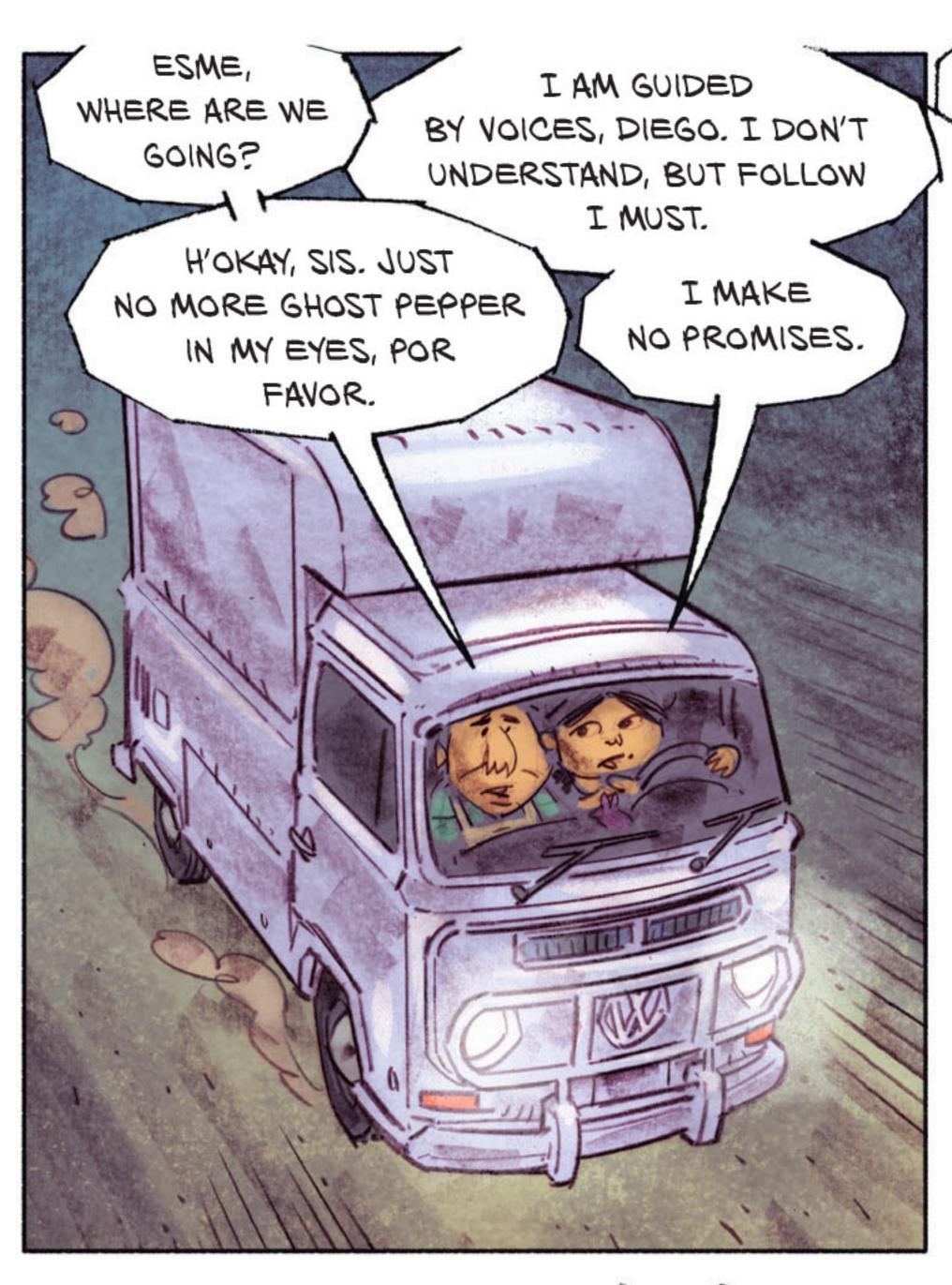
THOSE UGLY CATS

HE ... HE WAS GOING

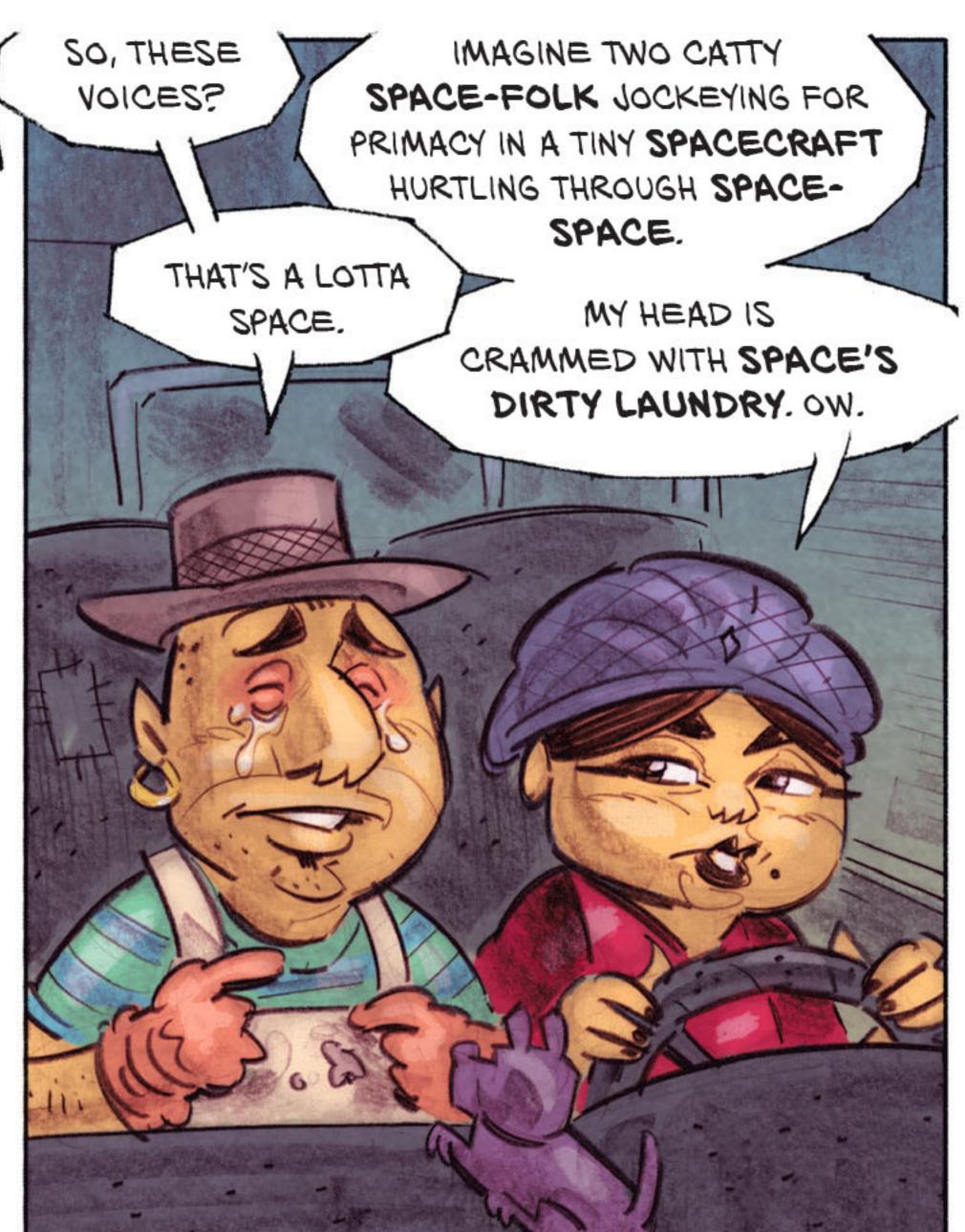




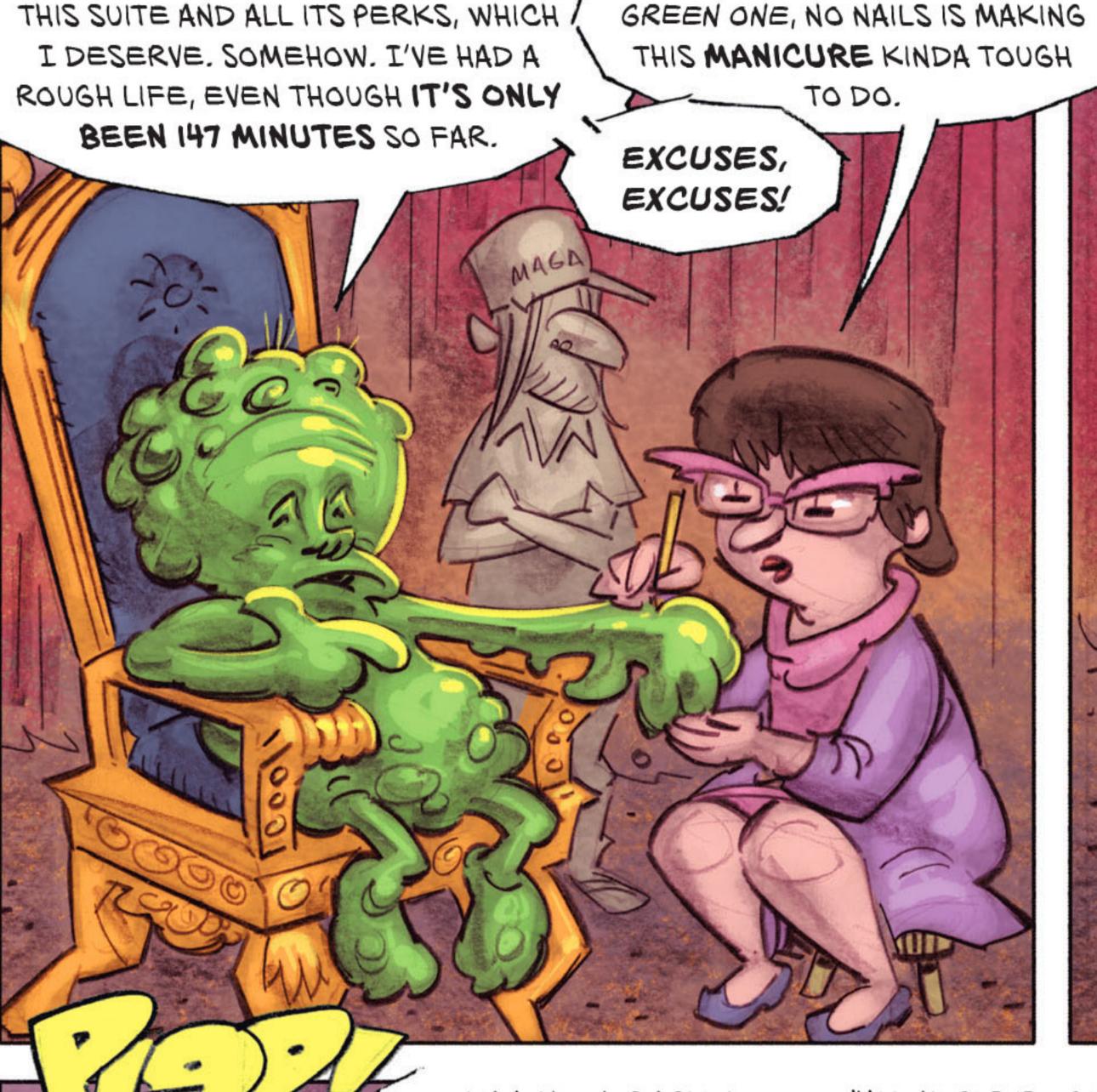




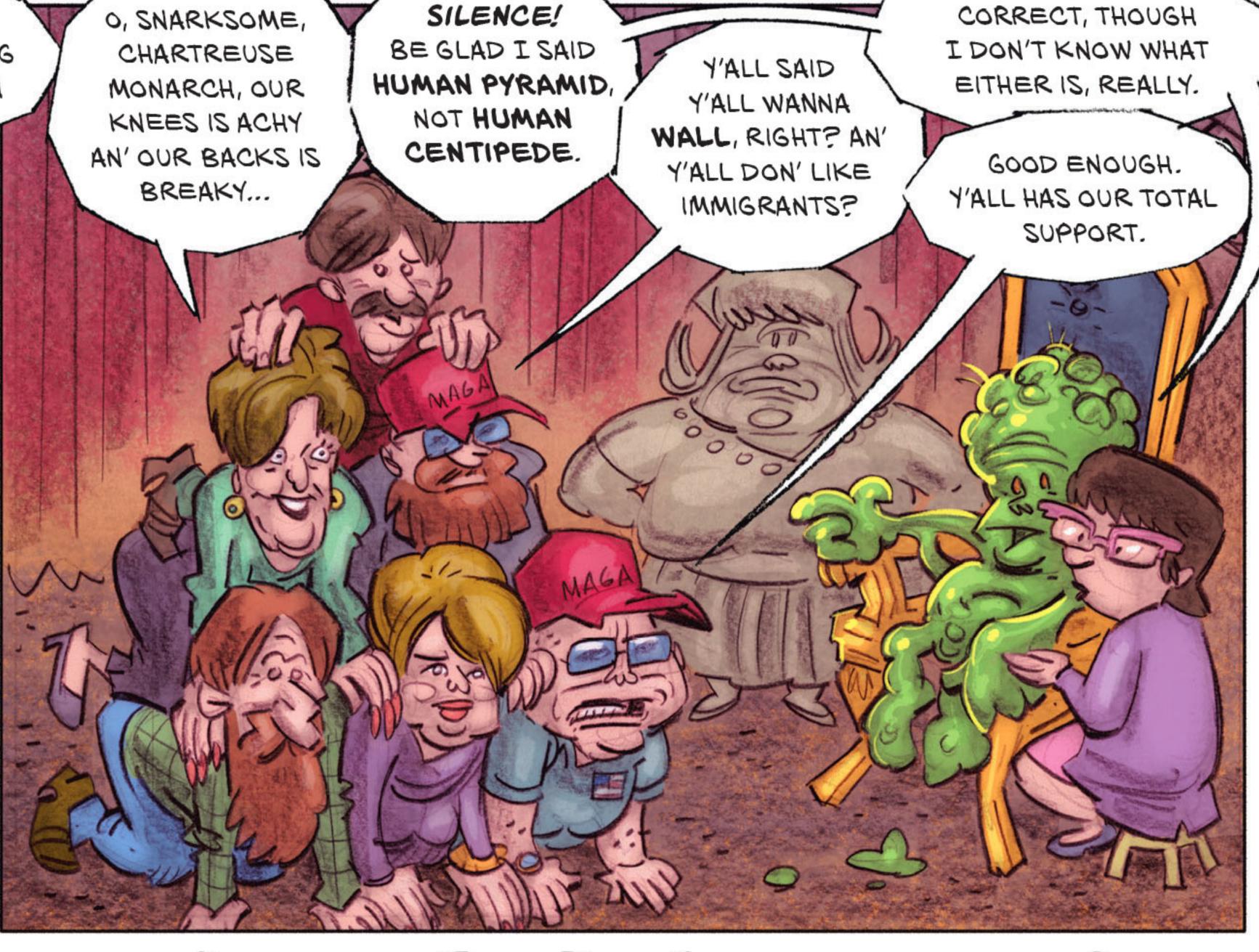
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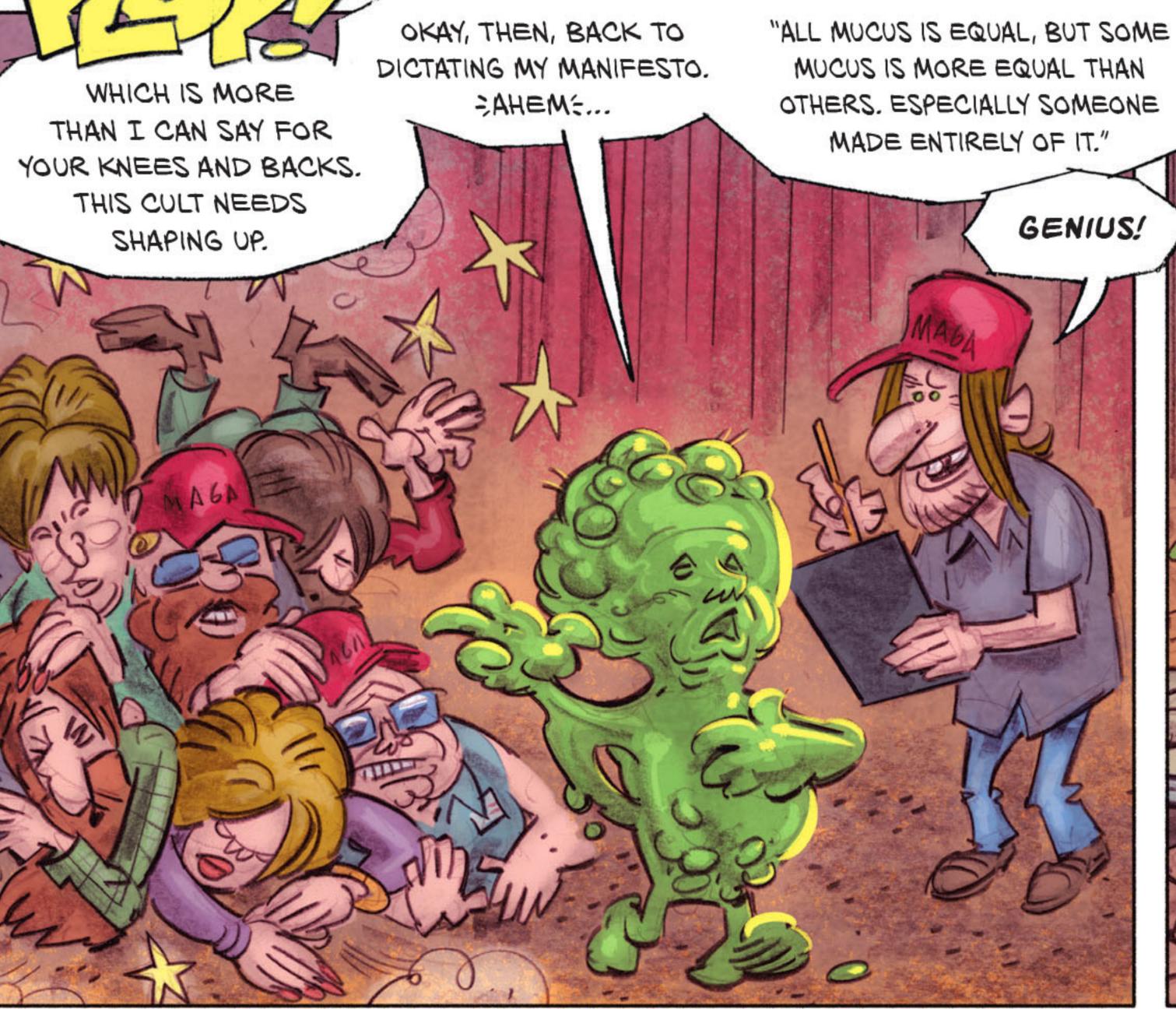




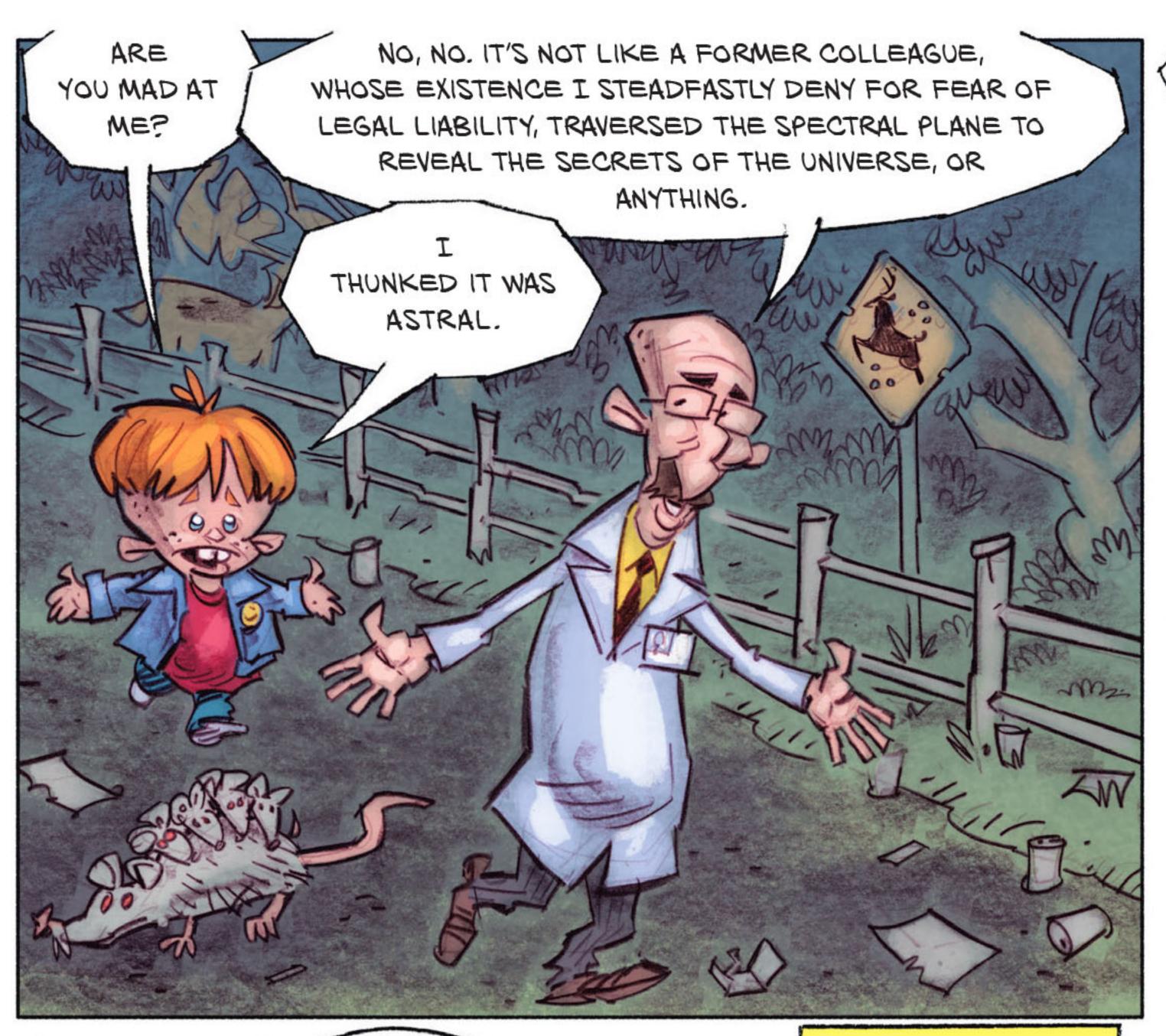


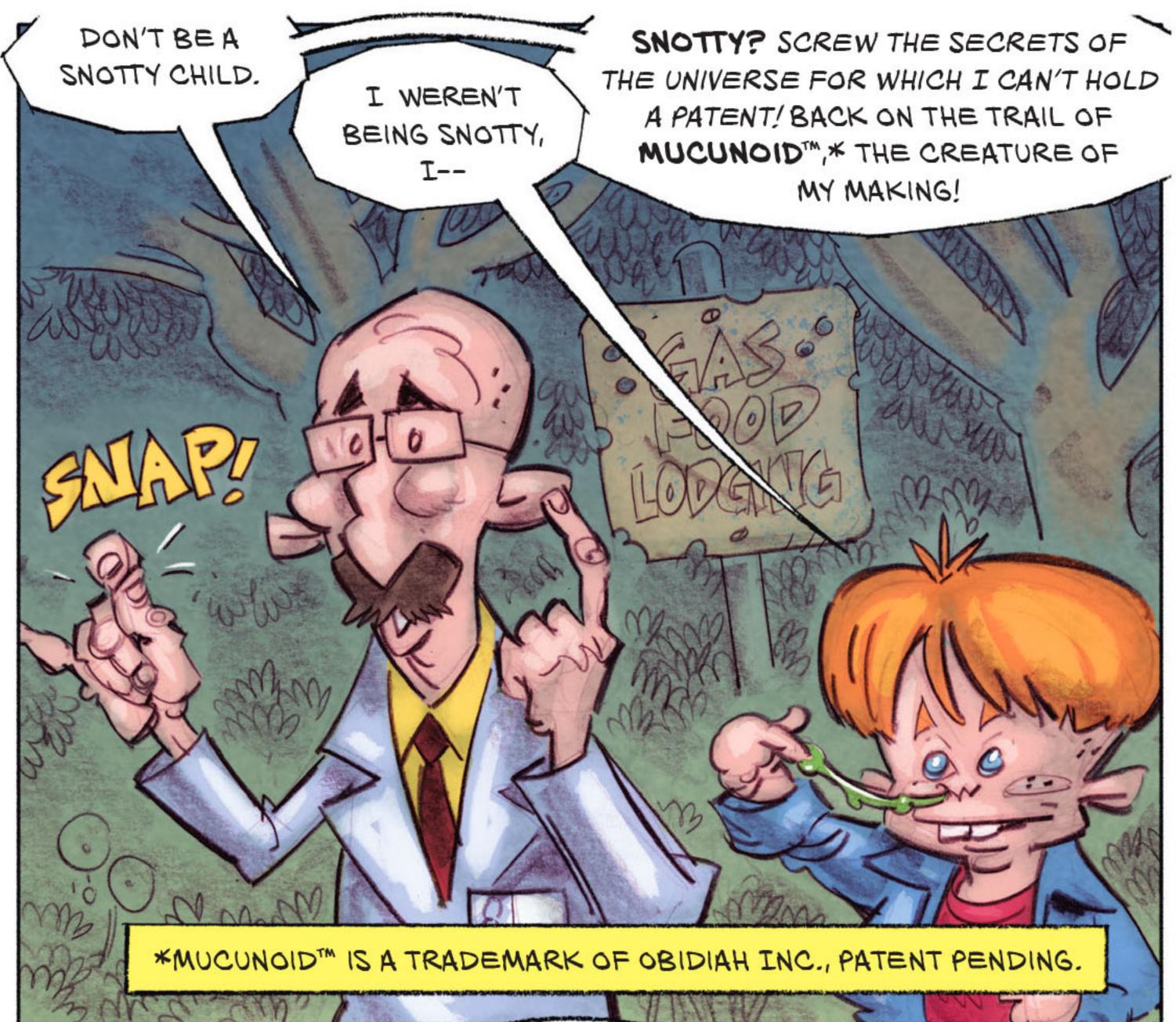
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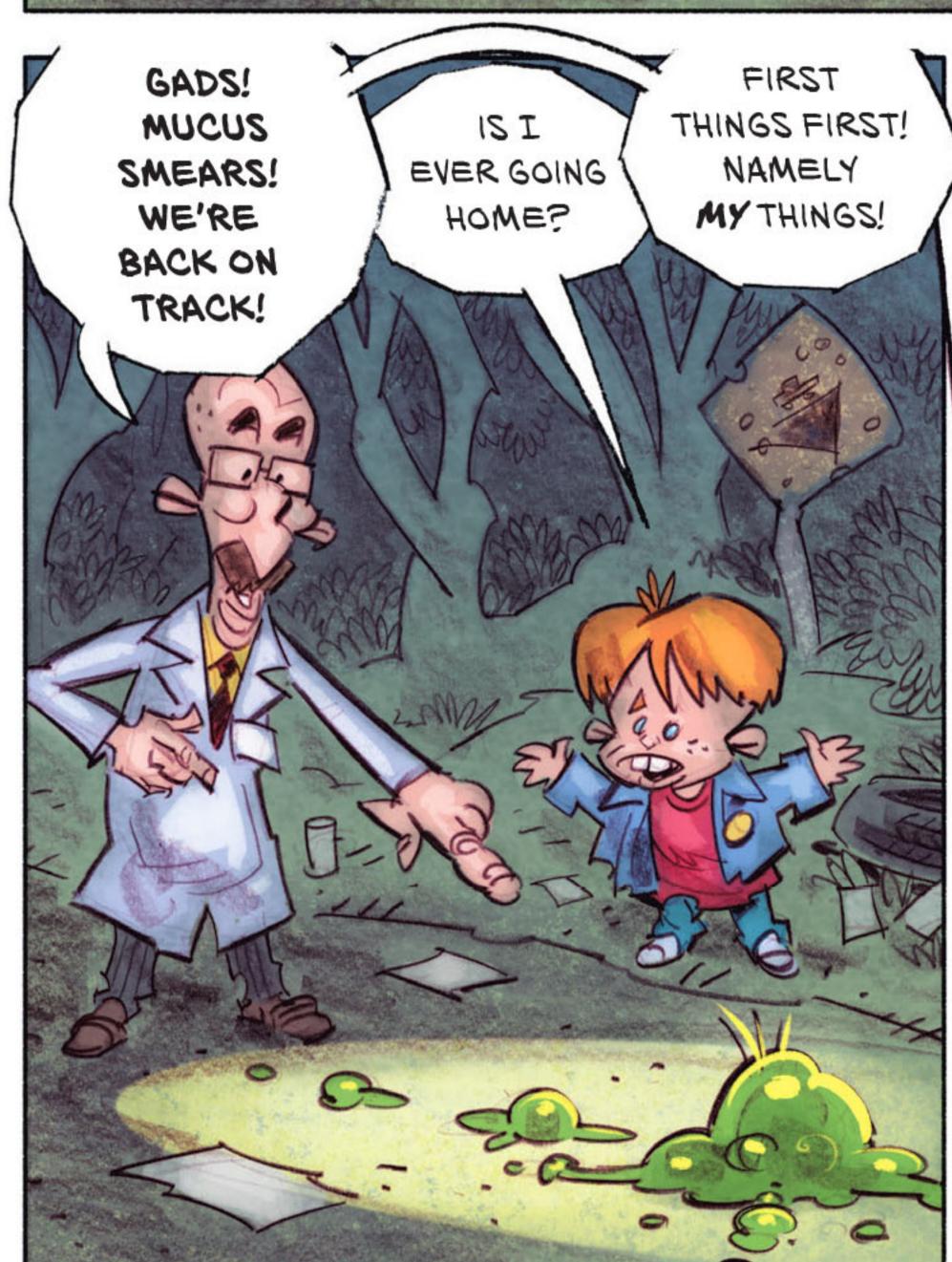


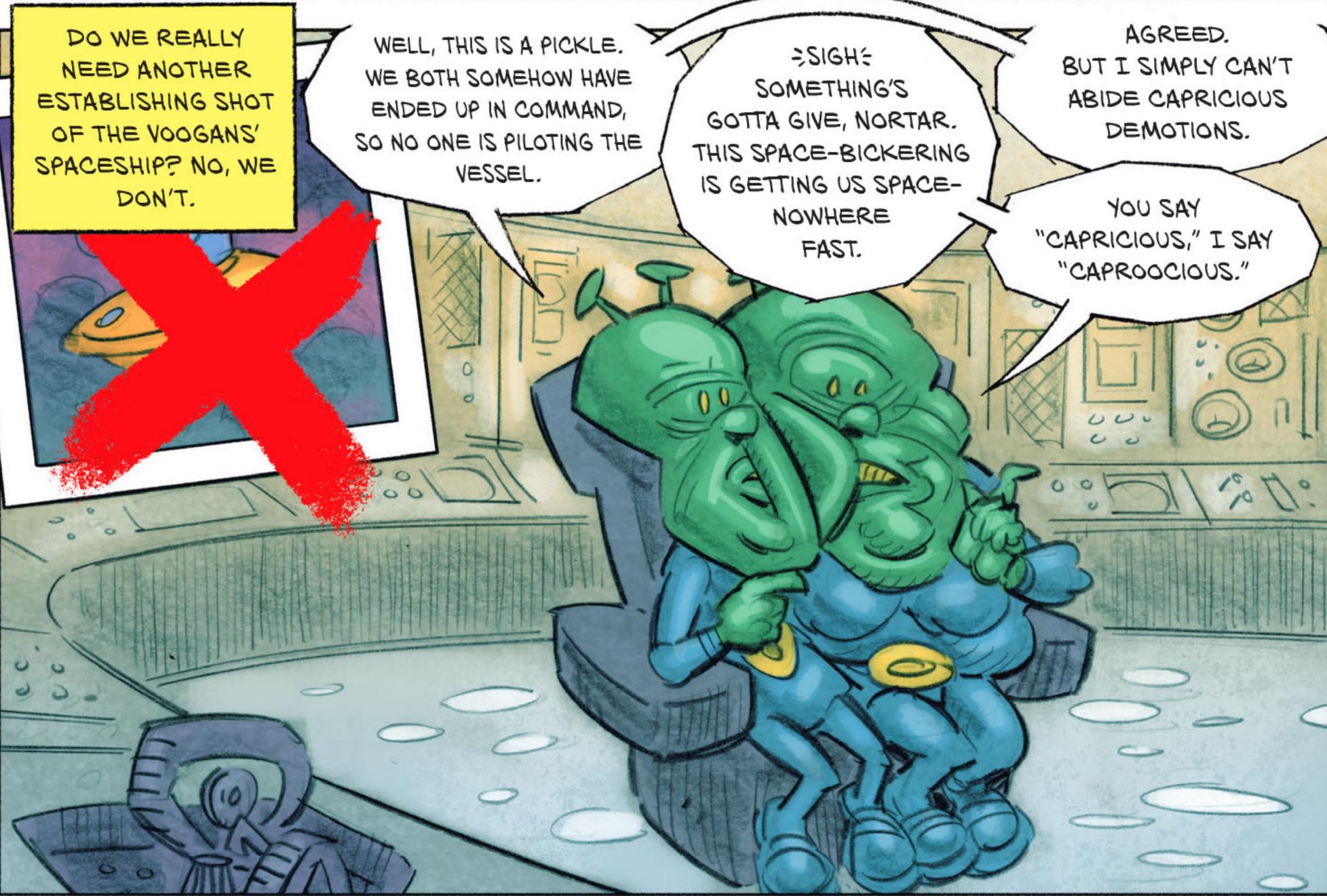


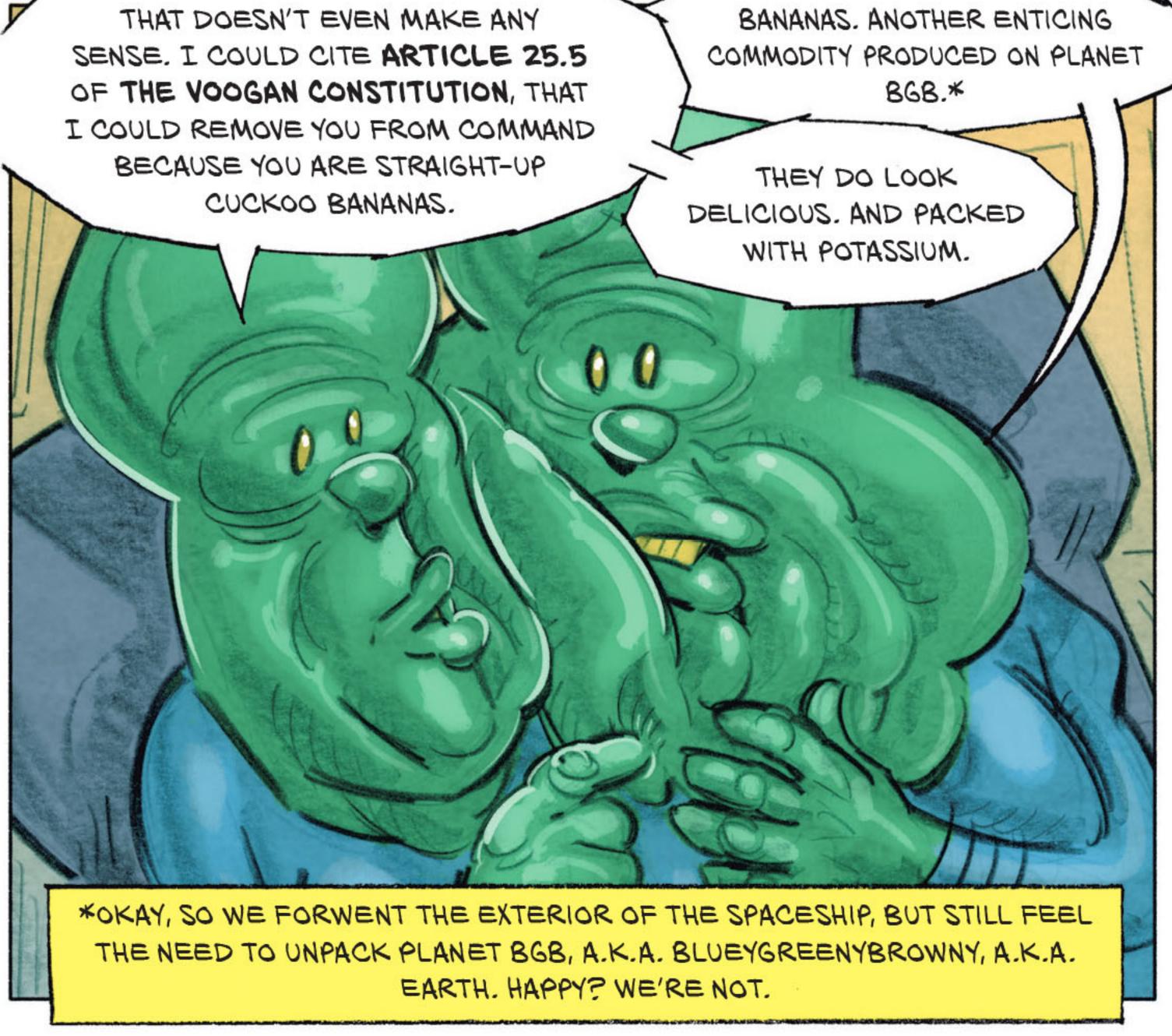


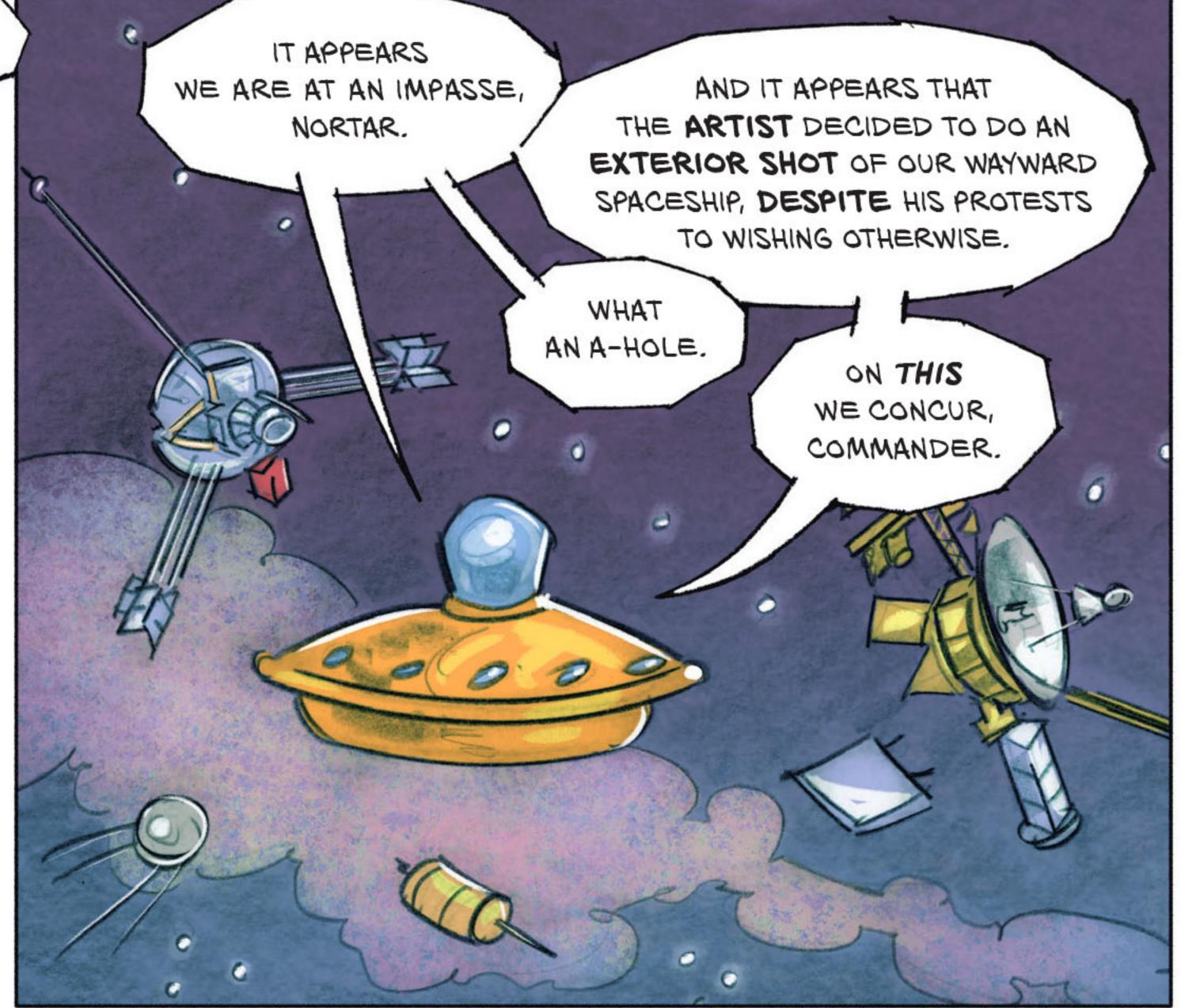


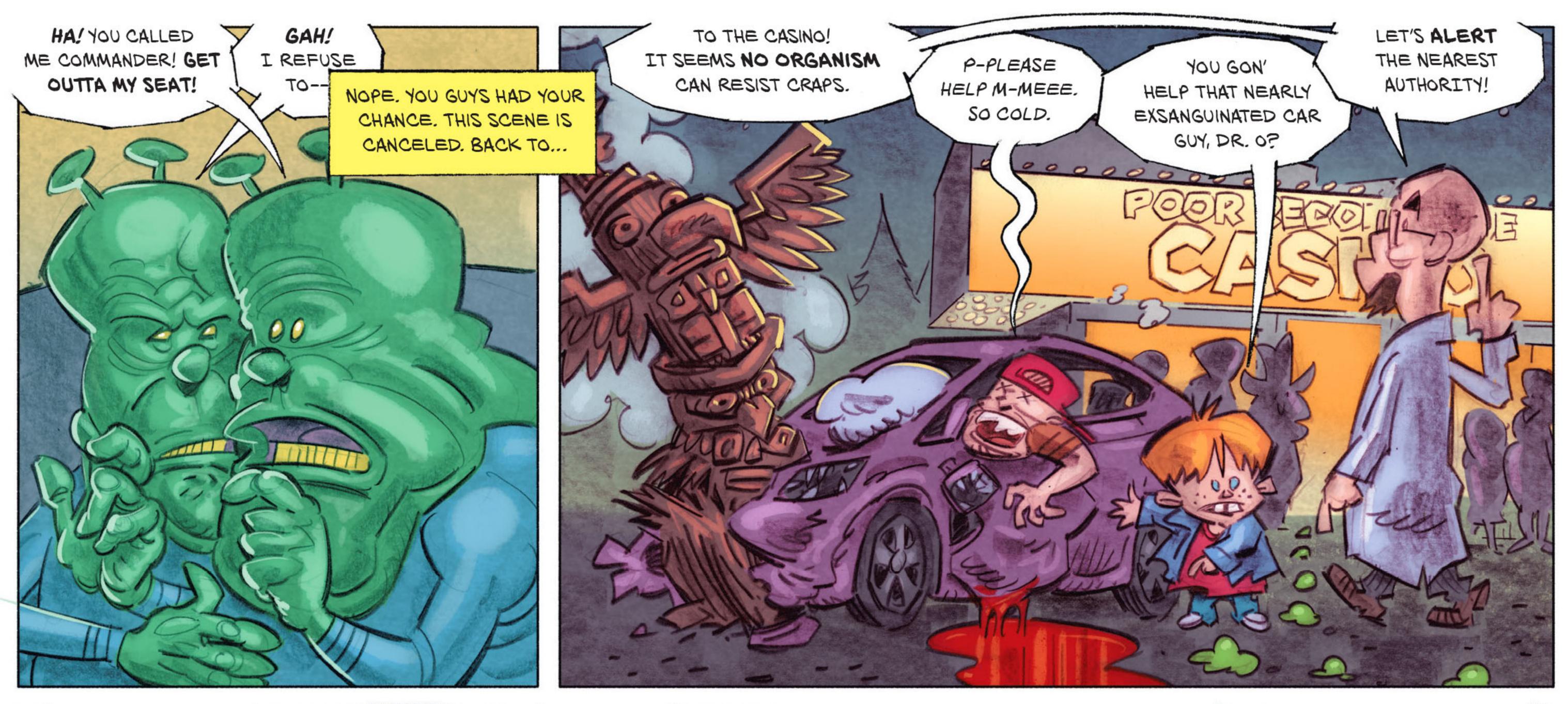


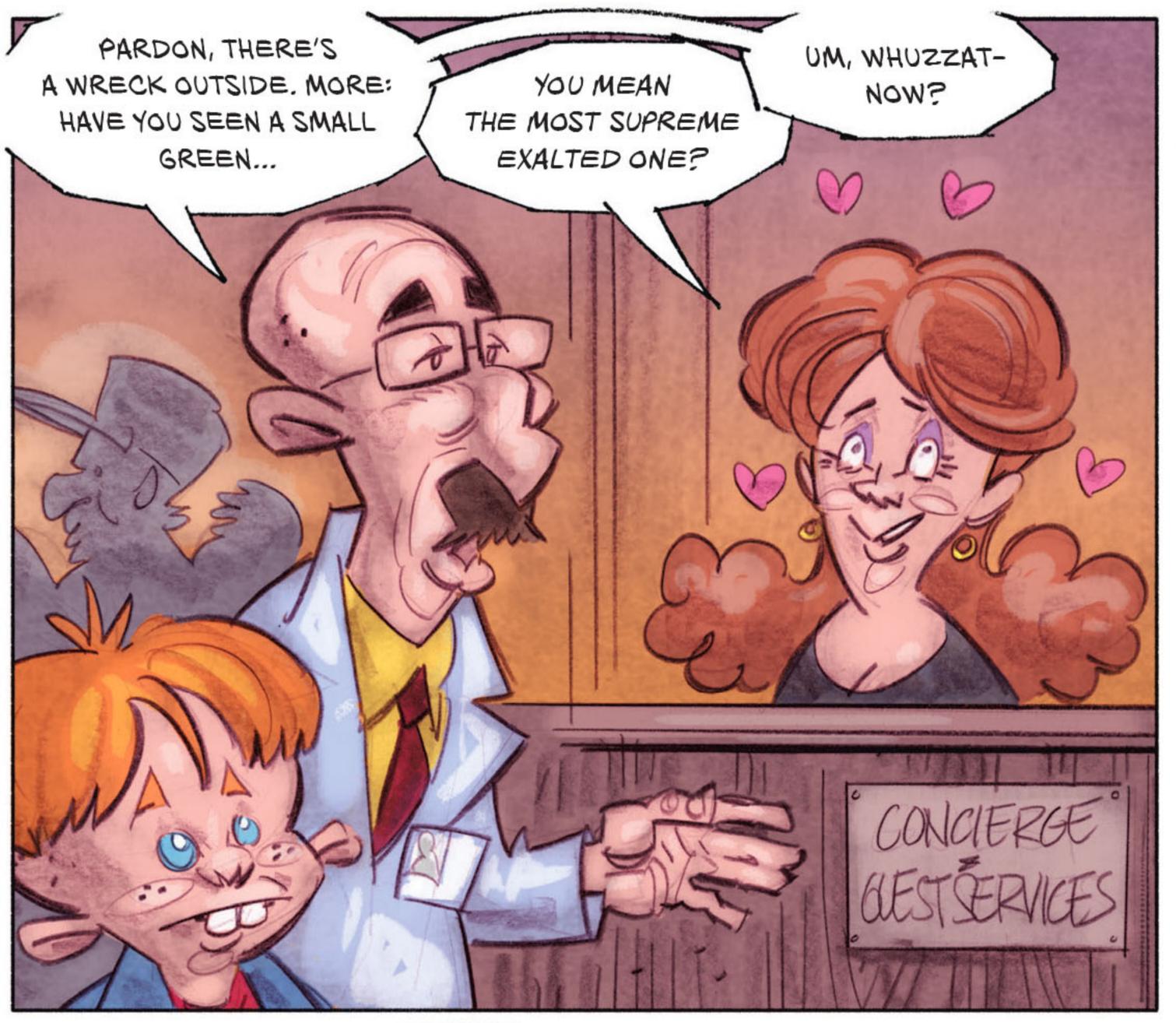


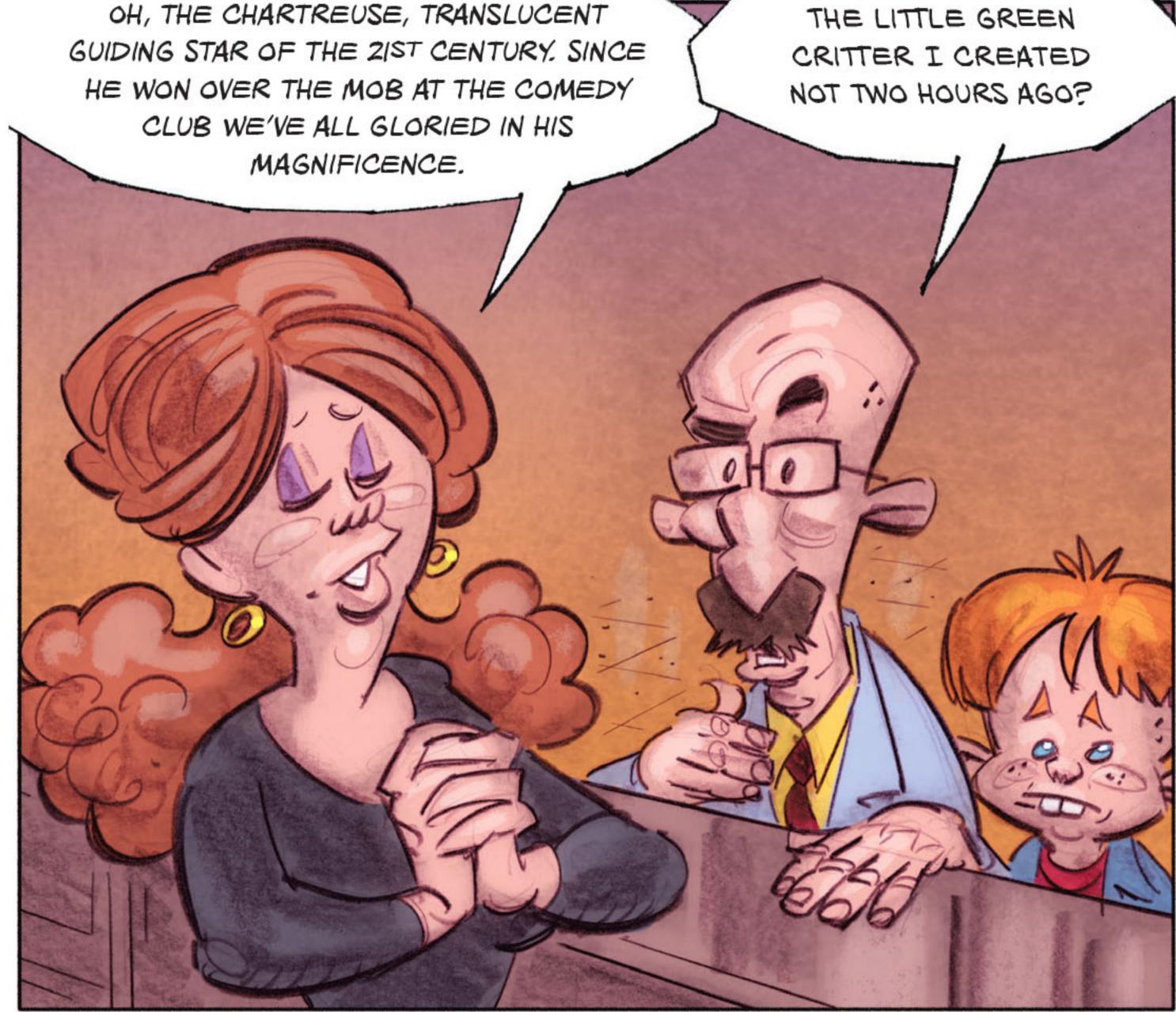


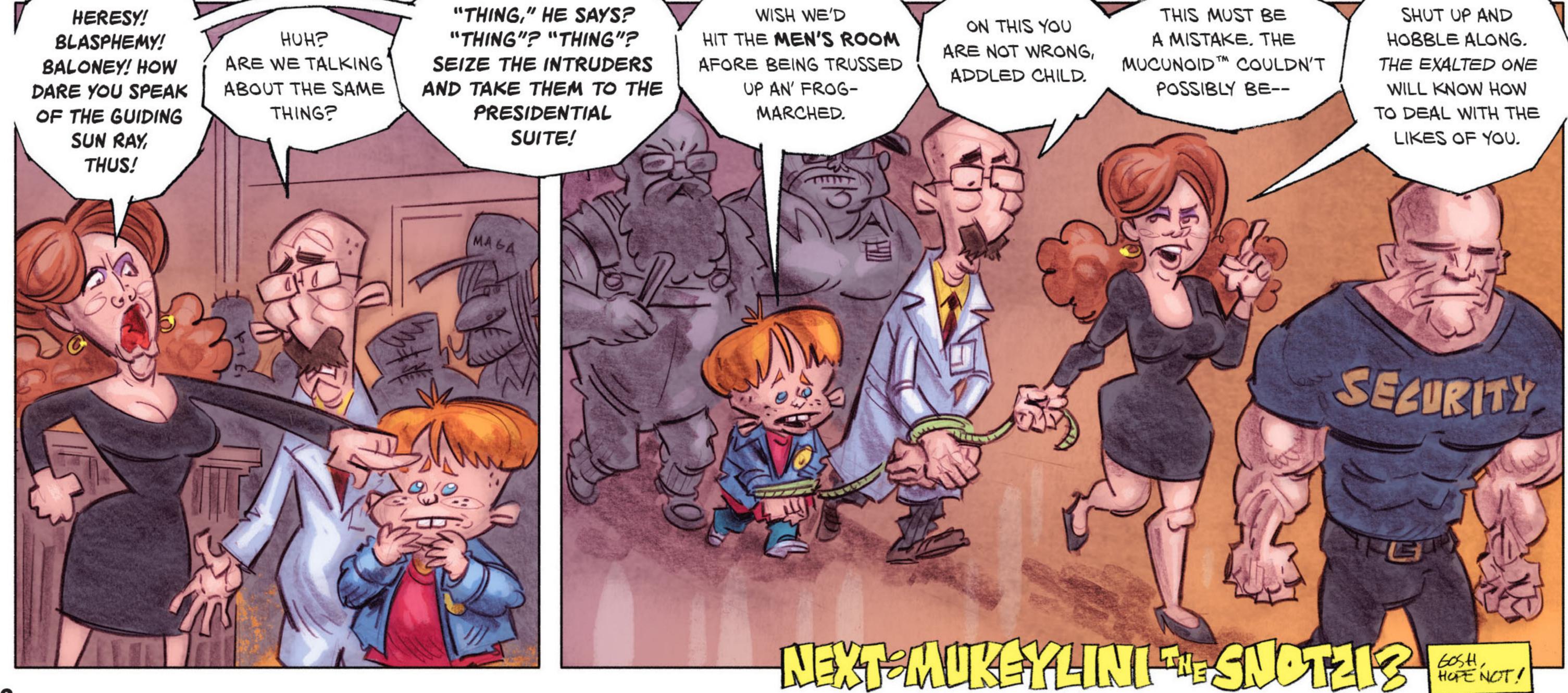














According to those annoying TV ads, you can use FLEX TAPE™ to repair tubs, pipes, nuclear reactors—anything! We wondered: Is there a piece strong enough to seal the ad guy's mouth? And speaking of taped body parts, we came up with the amazing...

GUARANTEED TO BE GUARANTEED TO BE BLOODY BEST

USE IT ON THE SLOPES!

DAMN! I FELL AND BROKE MY LEG! I CAN'T WAIT FOR A DOCTOR! LUCKILY I BROUGHT A ROLL OF FLESH TAPETM, SO I CAN FIX THAT Broken leg myself!





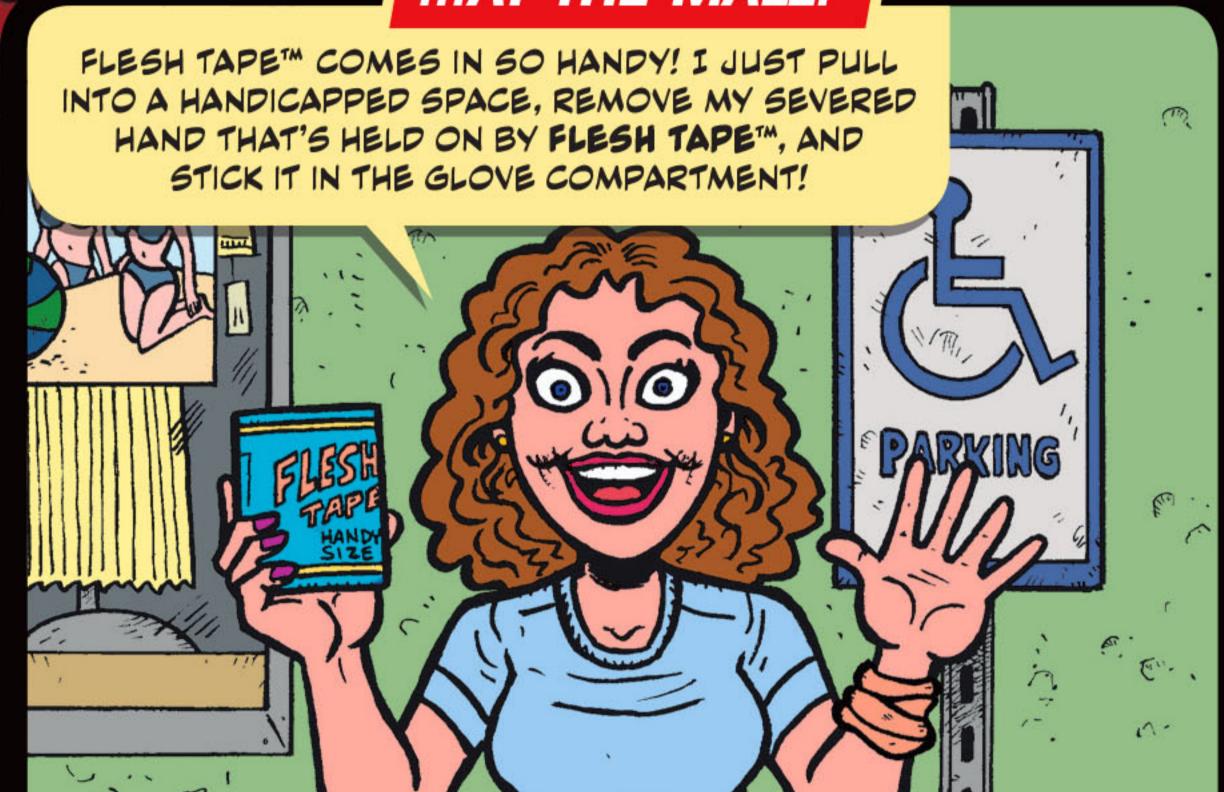
JUST REMEMBER TO

CLEAN YOUR CHEST

WITH WINDEXT

TWICE A WEEK.

.AT THE MALL!





THAT NEW YOU'RE THAT GUY FROM THAT FLESH TAPE CLEARTM TERRIBLE CAR WRECK. WE HAD TO REPLACE A LOT OF YOUR HAS BEEN FANTASTIC! internal organs! WHO NEEDS X-RAYS?



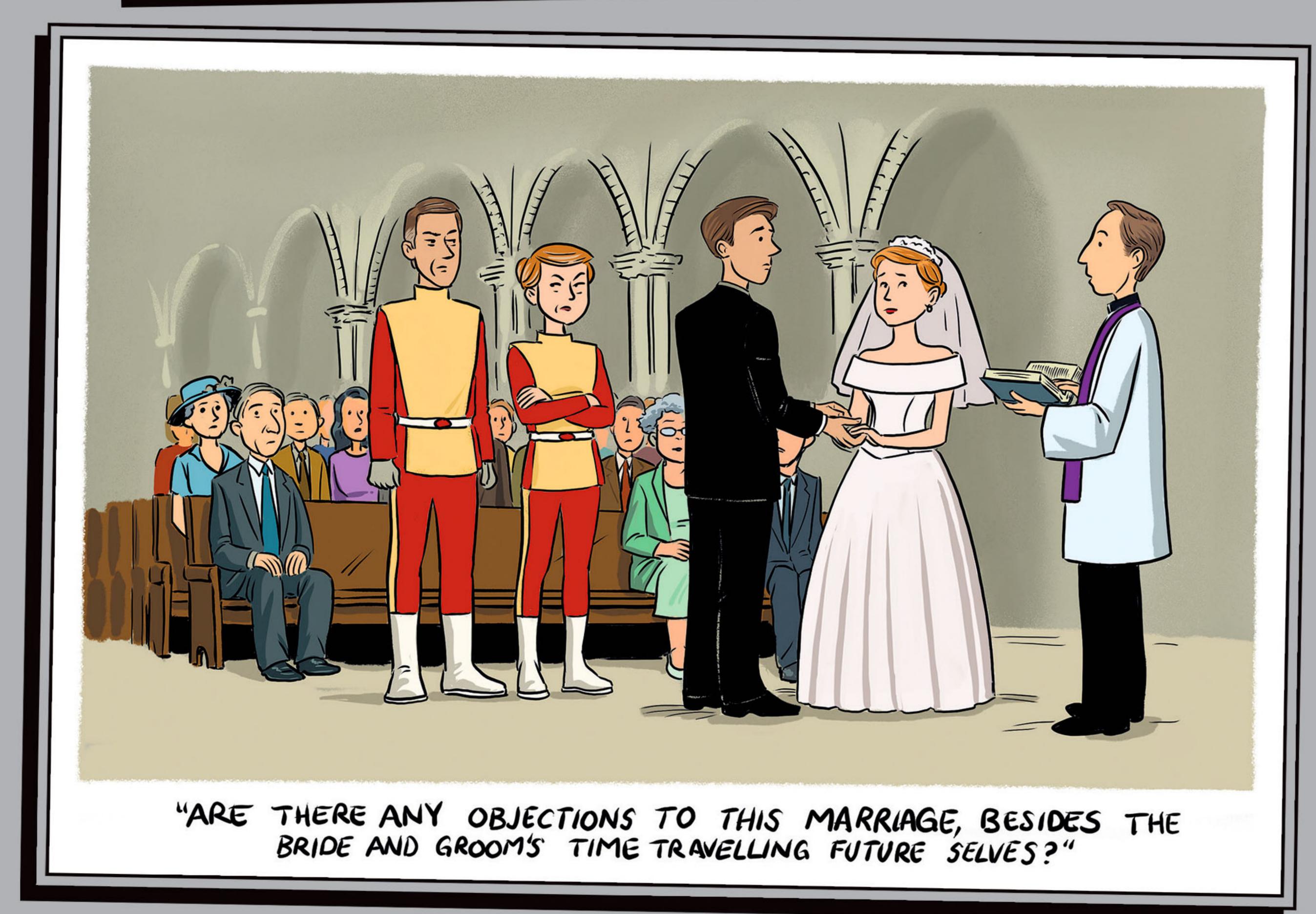
...AT THE DOCTOR'S OFFICE!



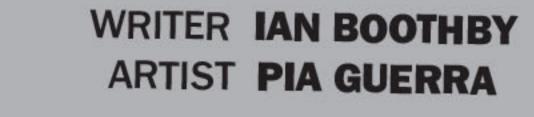


Great comedy should be cutting edge, speak truth to power, and shine a light on hypocrisy, making the world a better place. But we're all outta that, so here are some jokes!

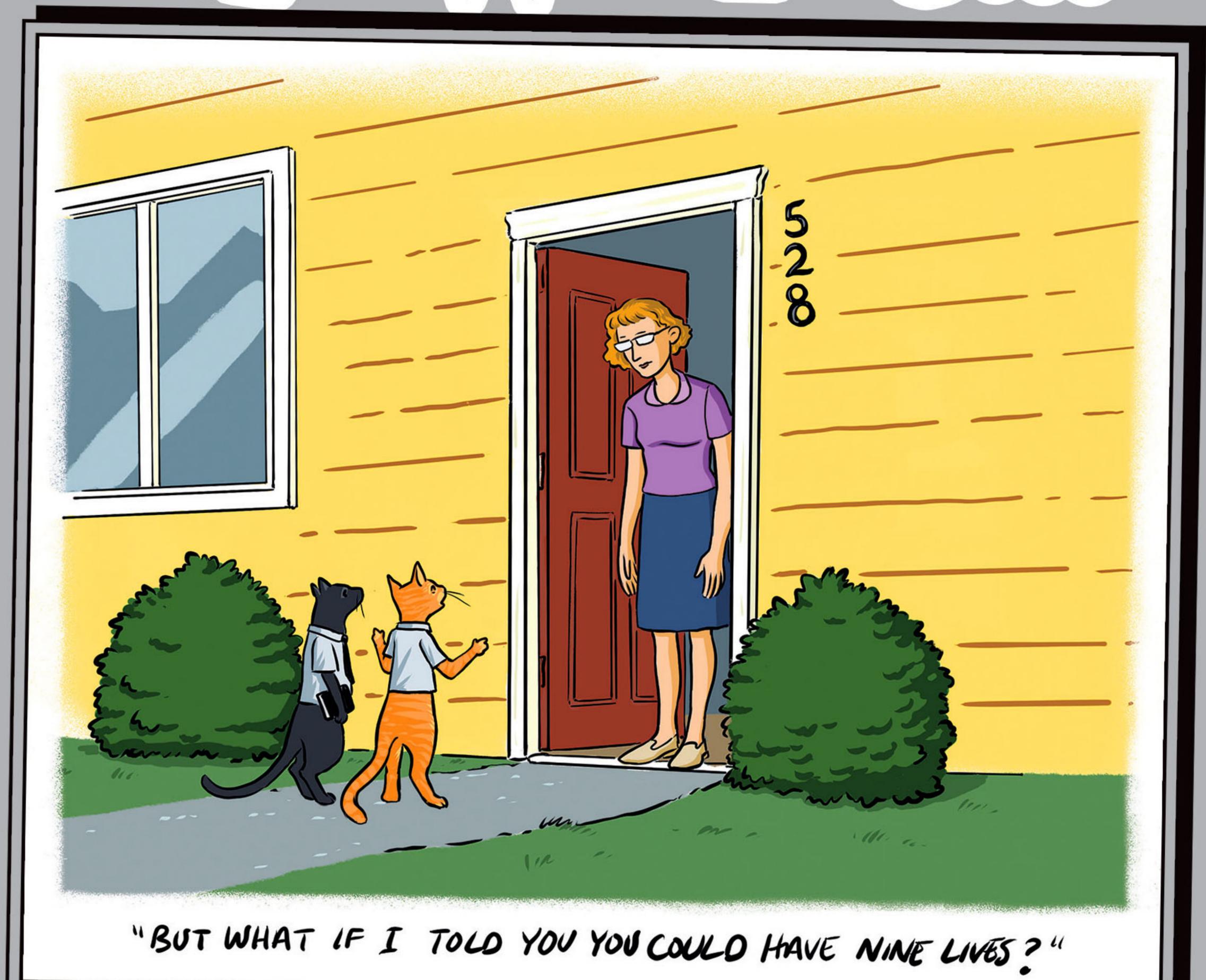




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As the old saying goes, "History doesn't repeat itself, but it often rhymes." Perhaps **that's** why "The Super Patriot," a snippet from our epic poem in MAD #129, still holds as much weight **today** as it did in '69. We dusted off the full-length rhapsody, "The MAD Primer of Bigots, Extremists, and Other Loose Ends," and were so inspired we wrote a few new lines for modern times.

There's nothing to see behind this wall!
No pushed agendas, big nor small,
No namesake business undivested,

No mistress large (nor average) chested.

No tax returns with sketchy numbers,
No private corporate earnings covered,
No profit from lax EPA regulations,
No parent at KKK demonstrations.

No foreign investments nor cash that's dumped there,

No prior conditions now struck from Trumpcare,

No shutdowns precluding paychecks and food stamps,

No kids sick and dying in detention camps.

No families legally seeking asylum

As racist beliefs separate and profile 'em,

Conflating "illegal" with policy allowed

While border space irresponsibly overcrowds.

And this wall hiding nothing works to divide

States called "united" into two warring sides—

Both too disabled to do all they can

To stop the chaos of just one man.

WRITER
REBECCA BOHANAN
ARTIST
TRAVIS MILLARD



LIGHTER SIDE OF

WRITER TAMMY GOLDEN ARTIST JON ADAMS

CLOWNS



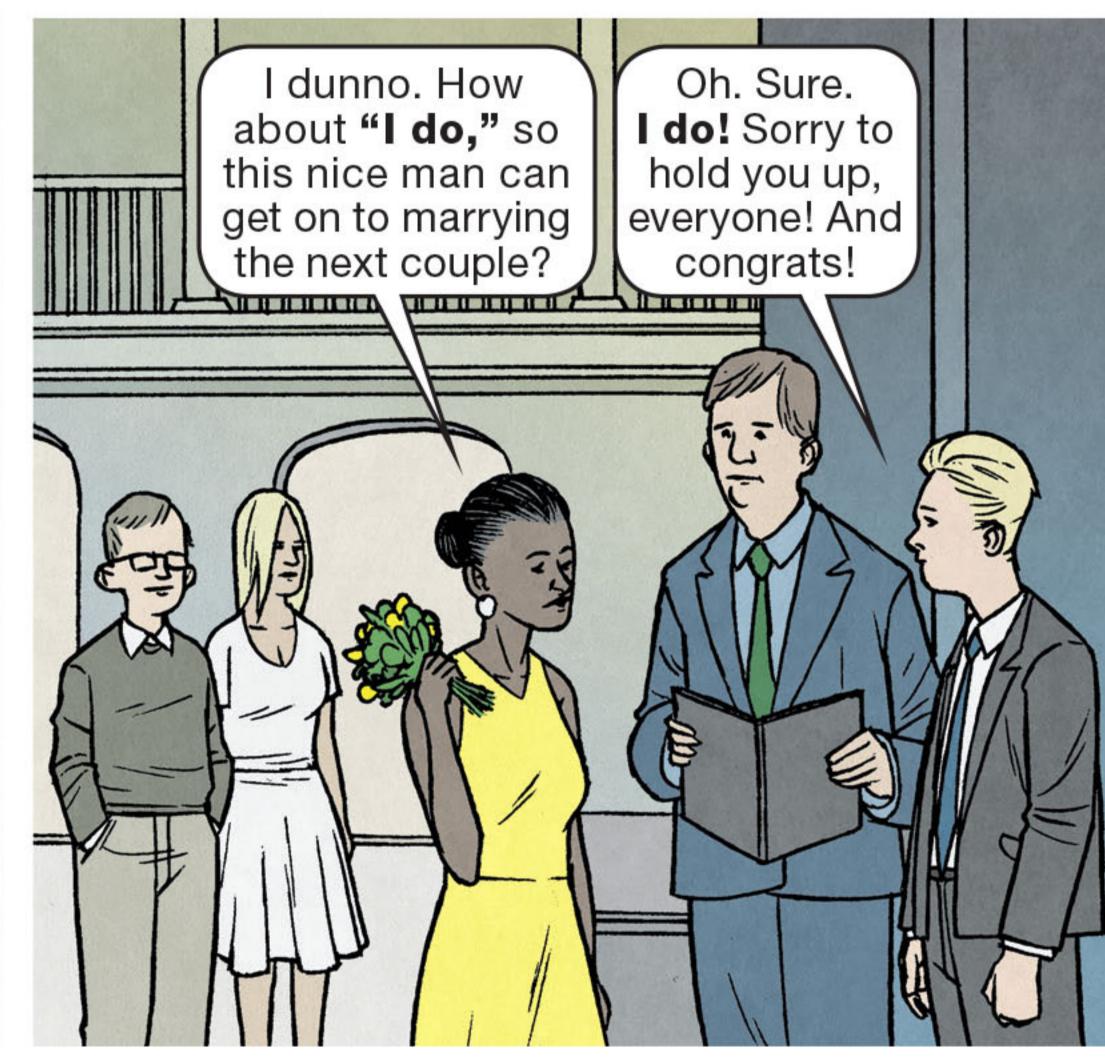




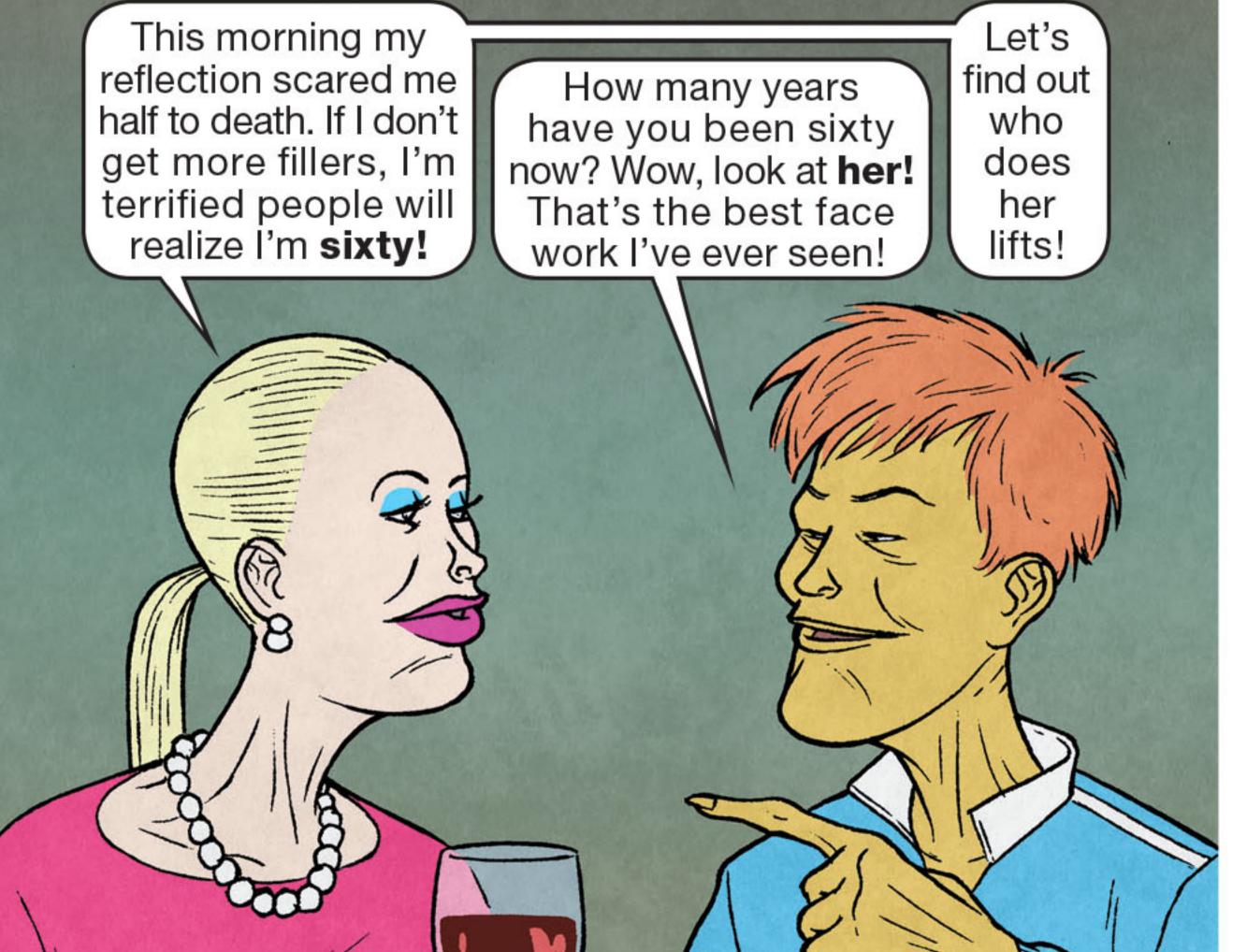
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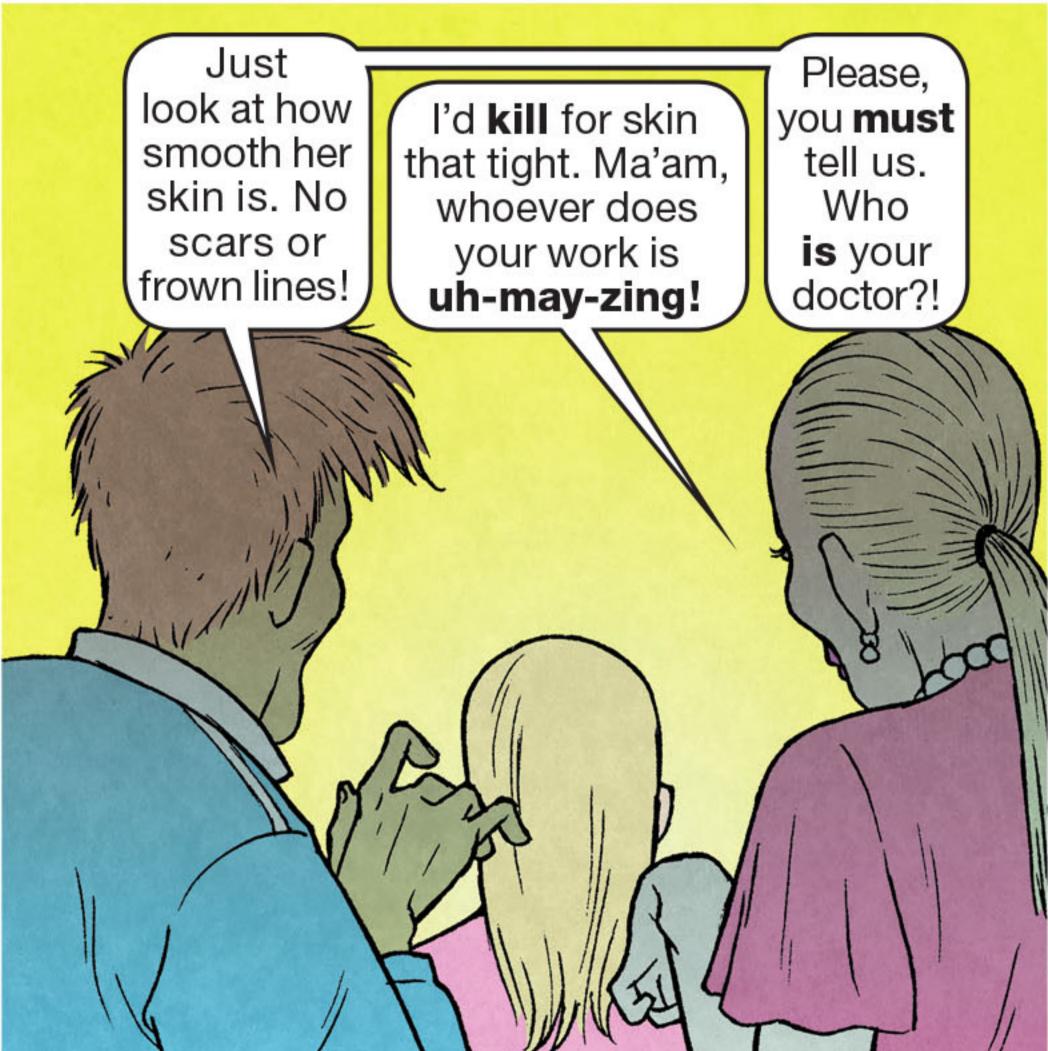






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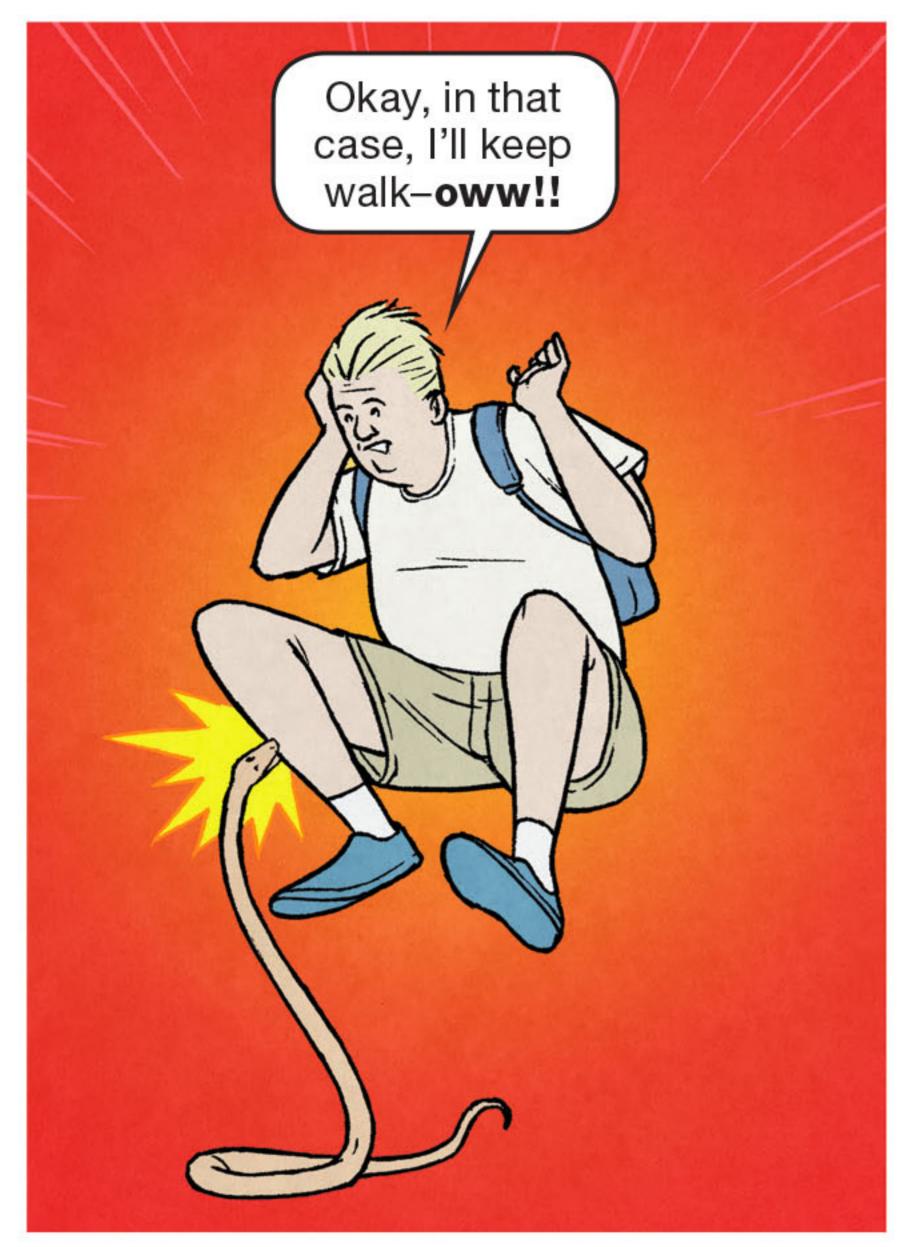






SNAKES







PUBLIC SPEAKING







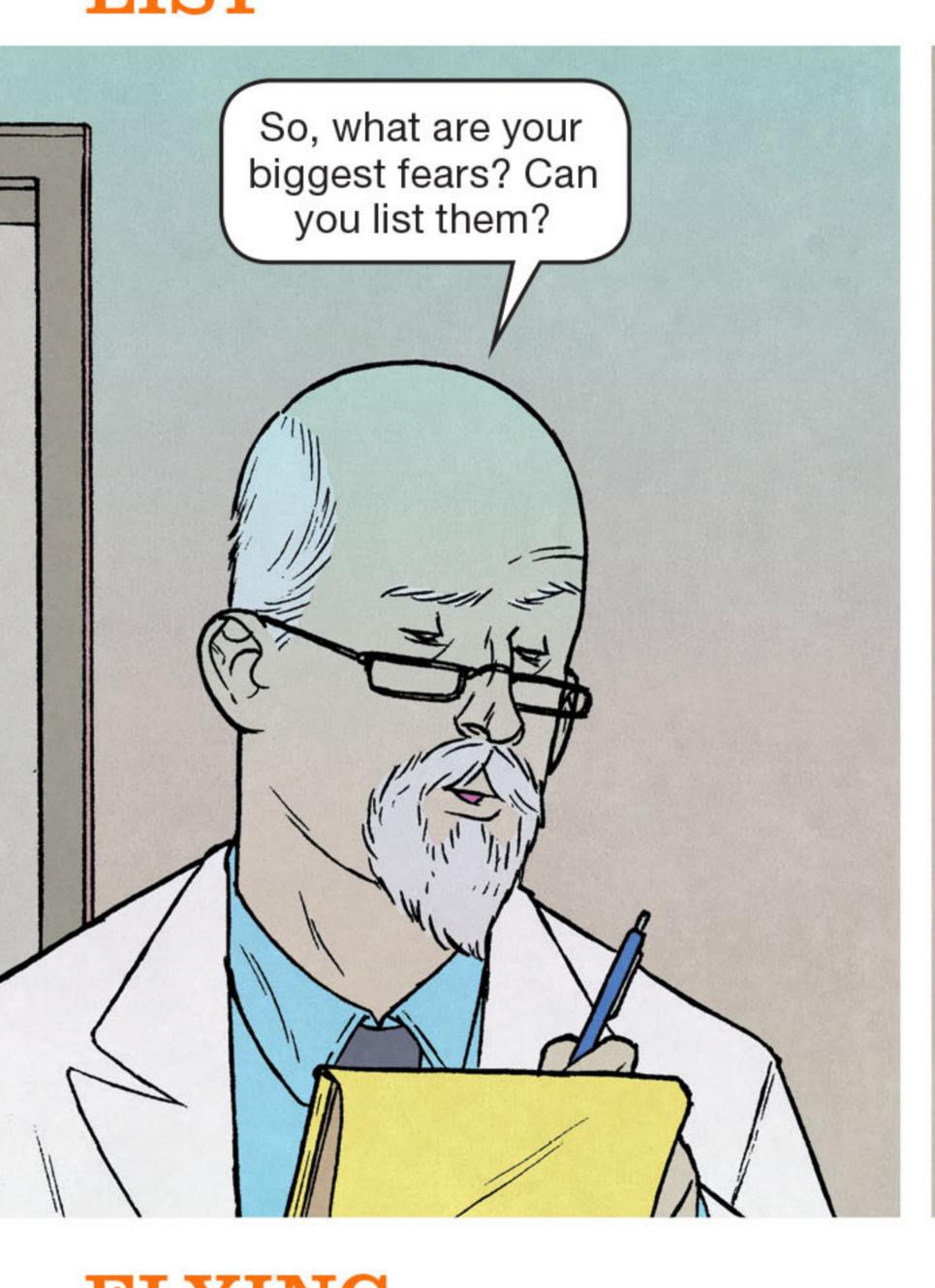
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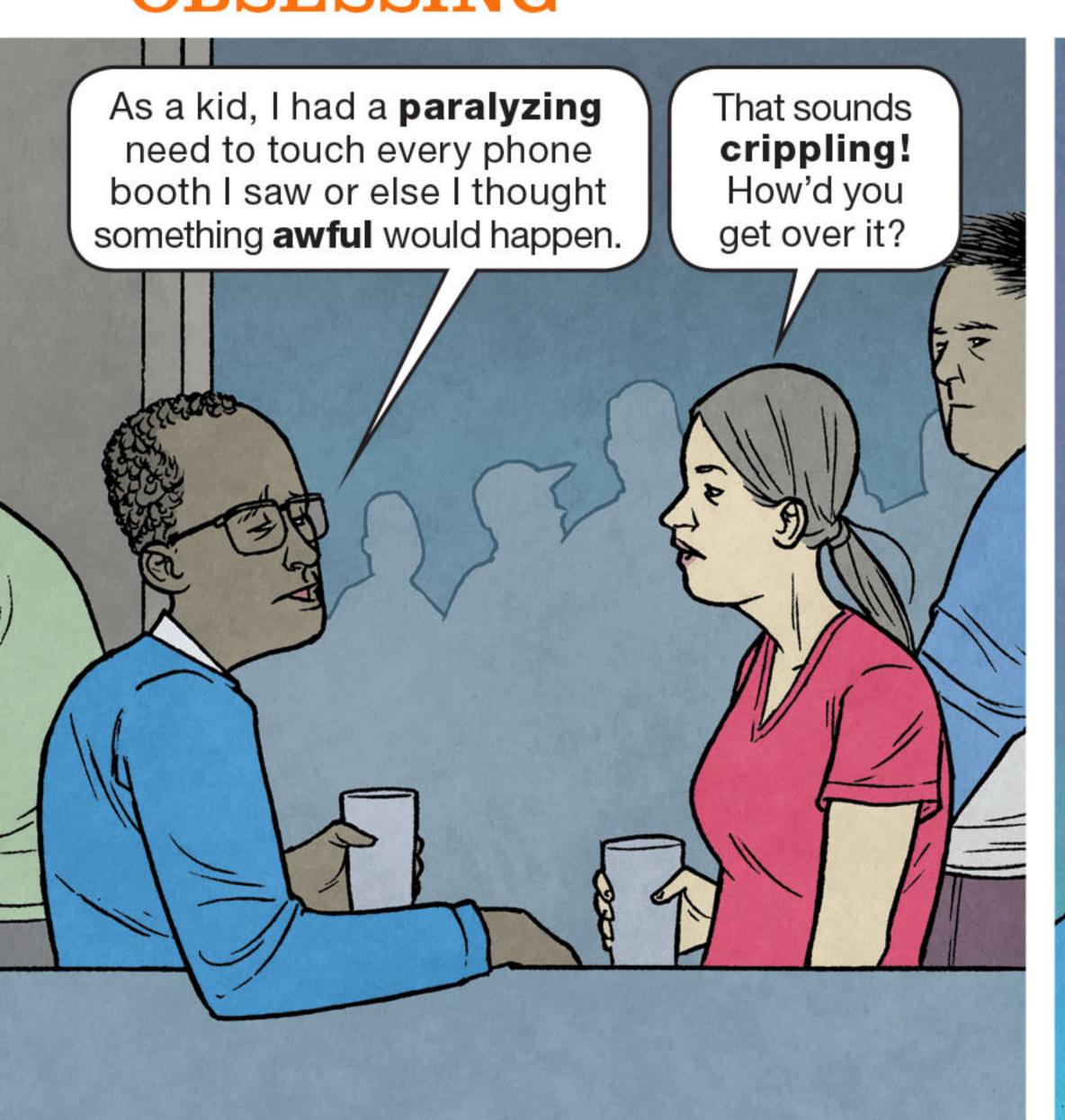
LIST







OBSESSING







FLYING









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TIME TRAVEL STUDY BUDDIES WITH LUCY

Each week our intrepid young scholars use their Time Helmets to travel through the ages and learn from the men and women who made history!













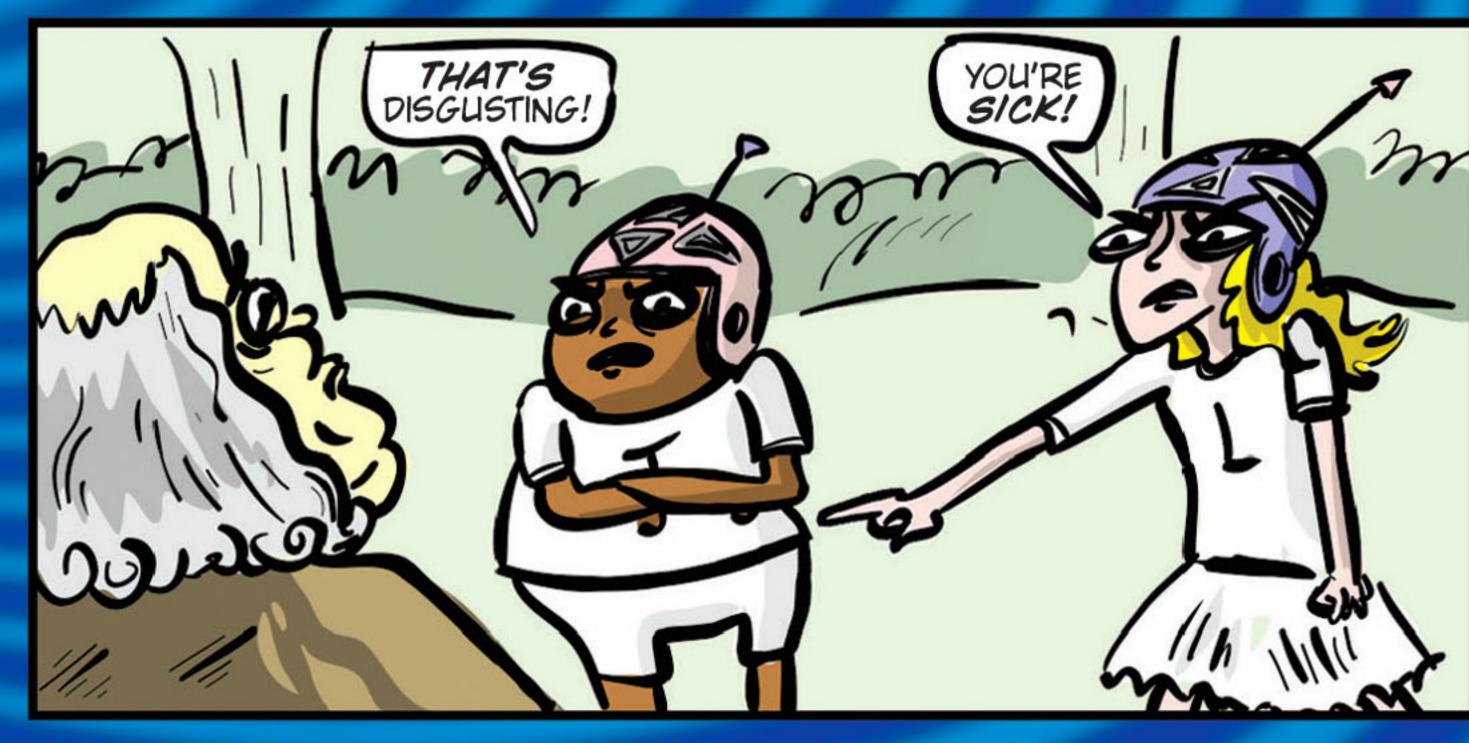


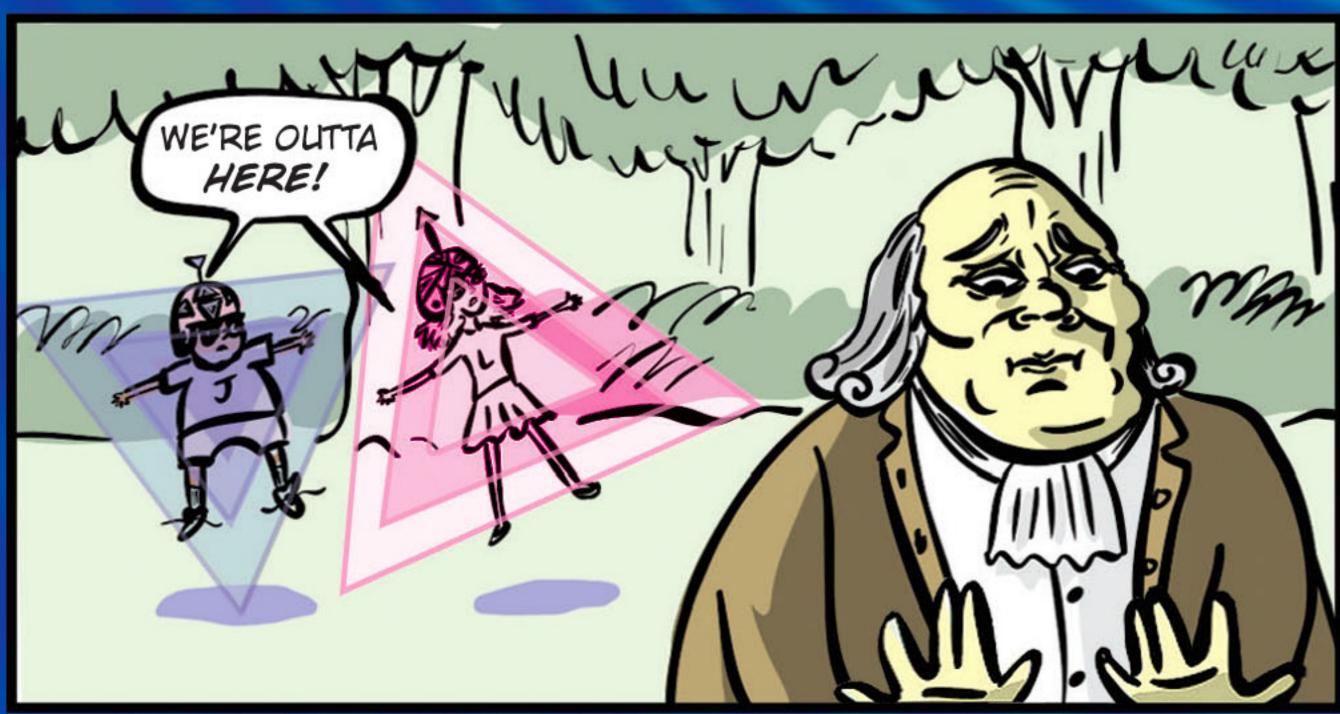




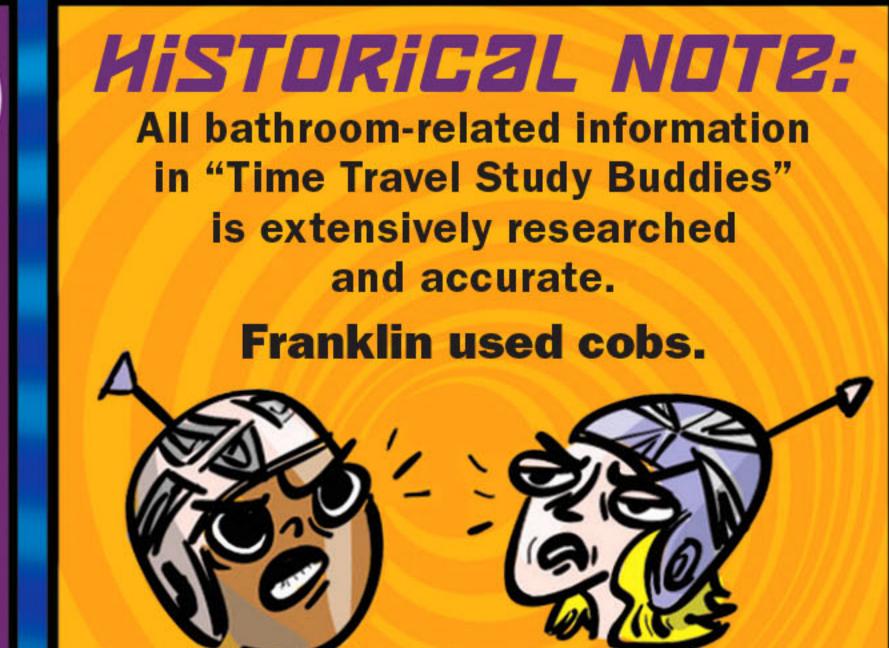






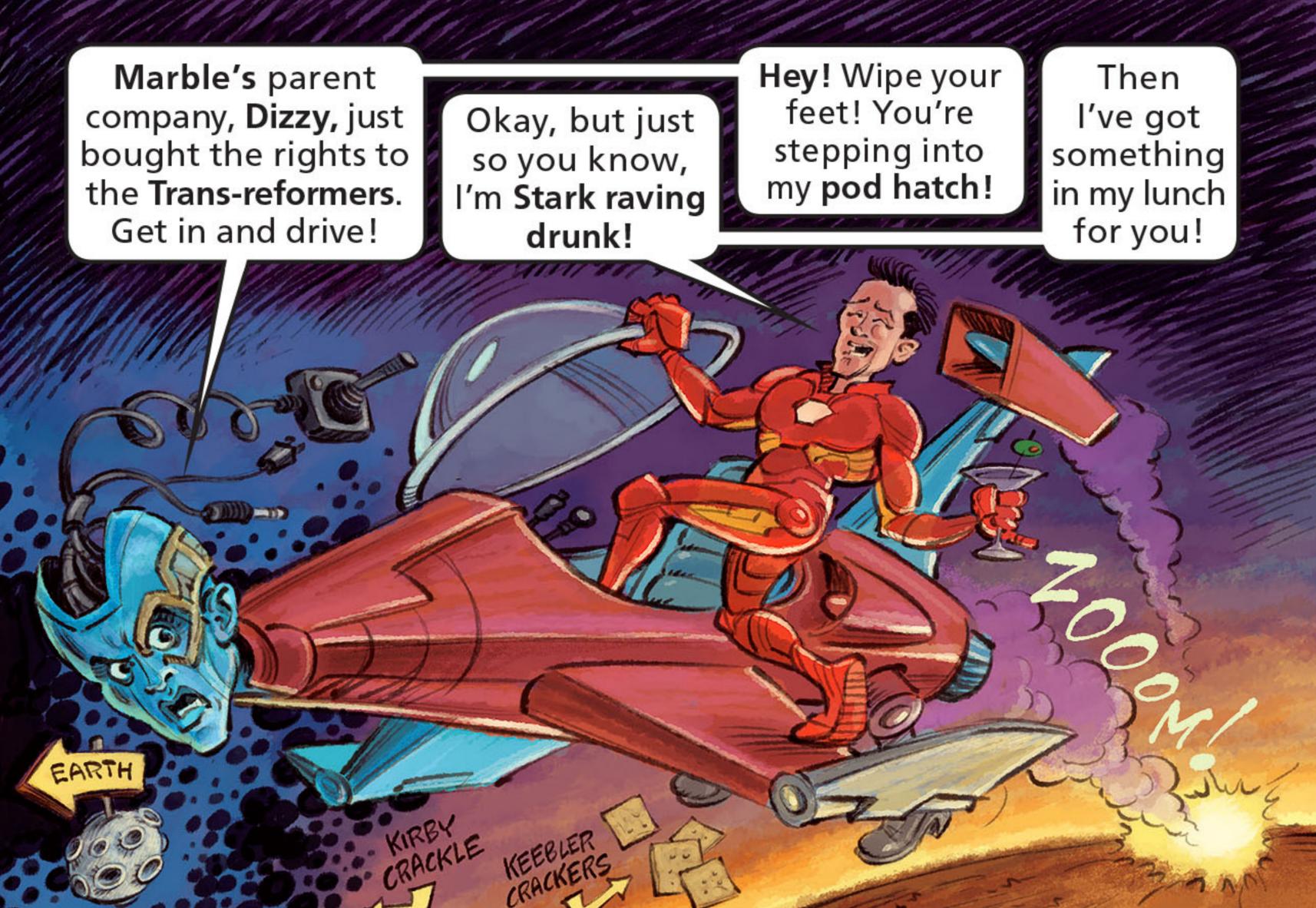




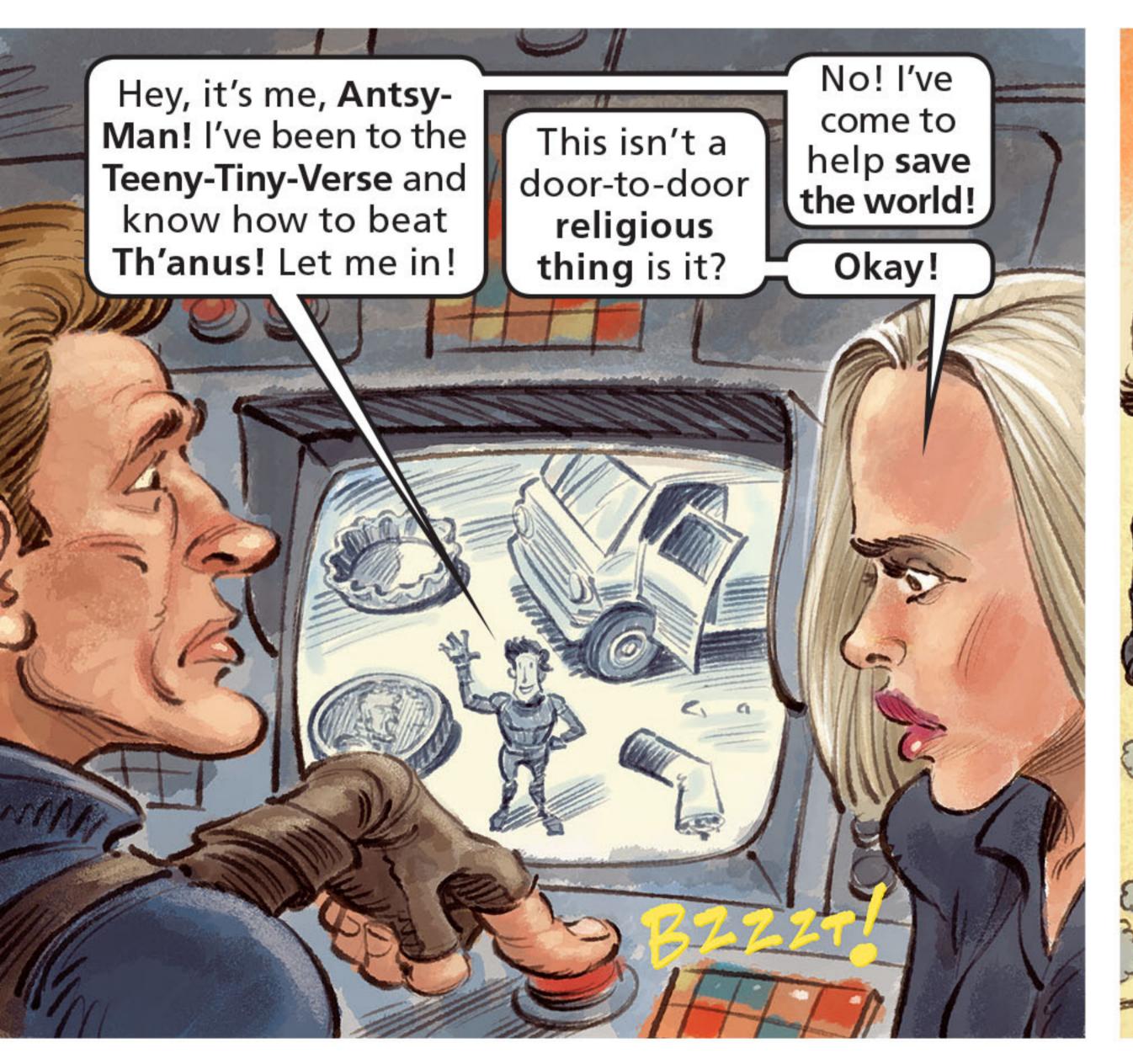














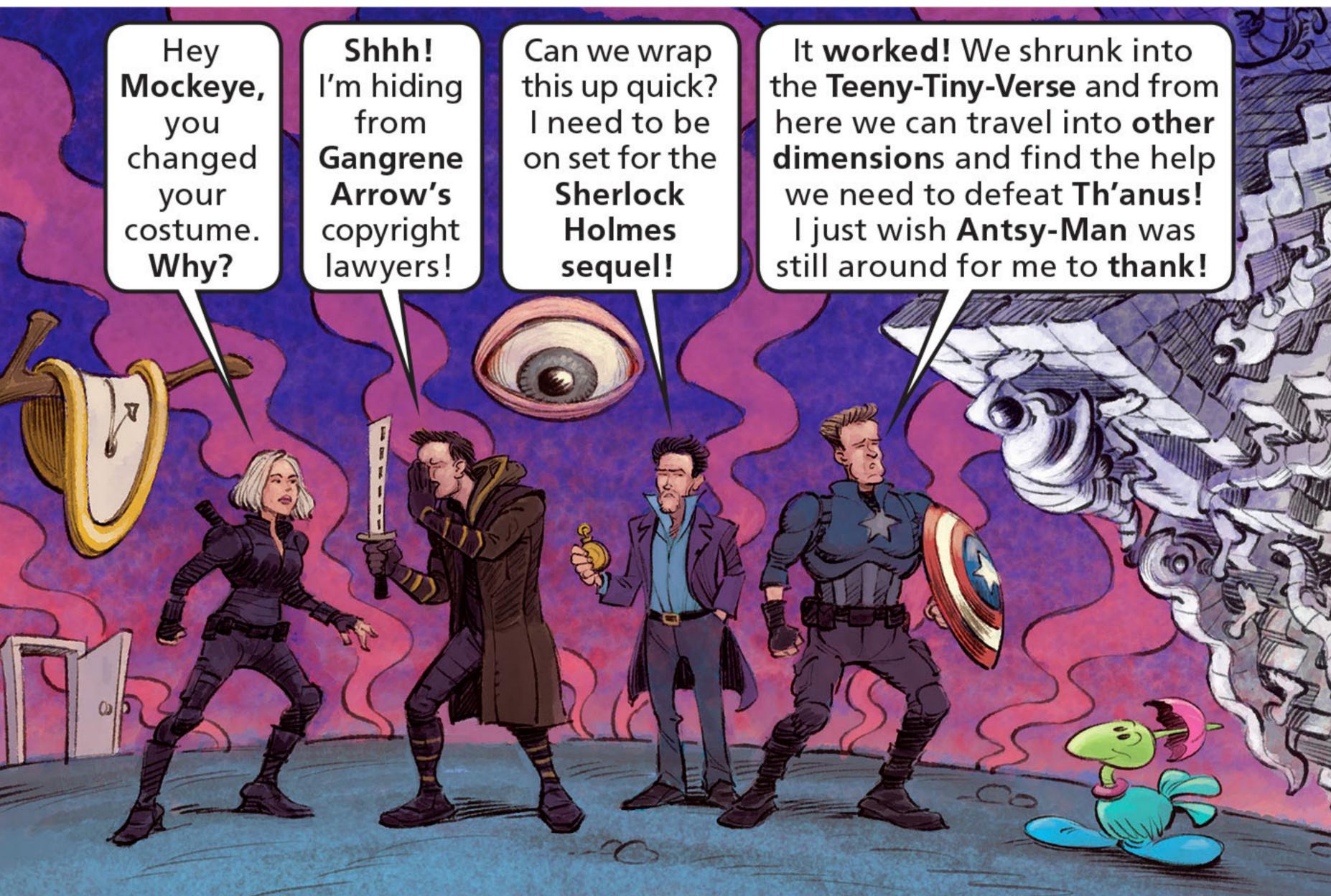




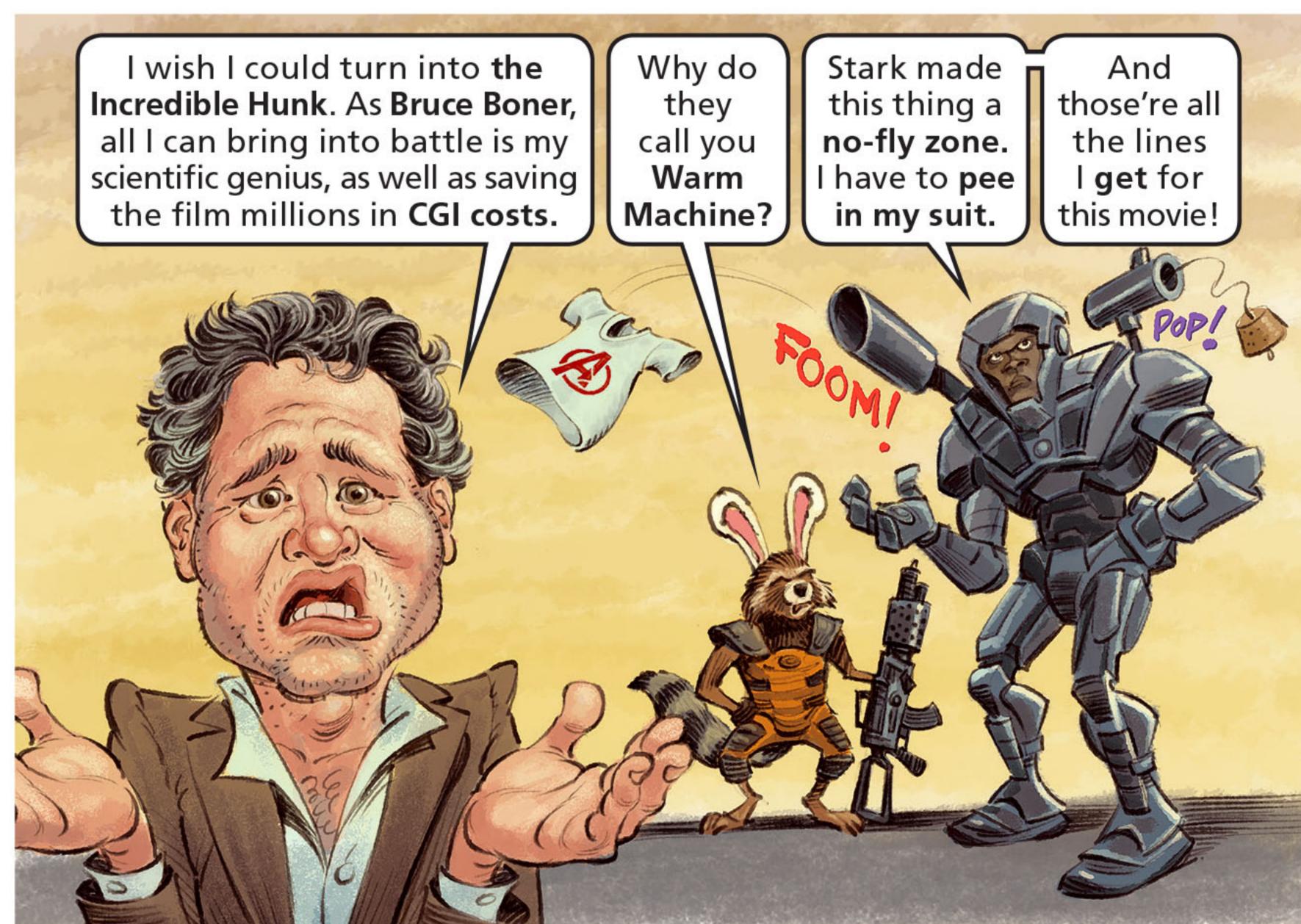


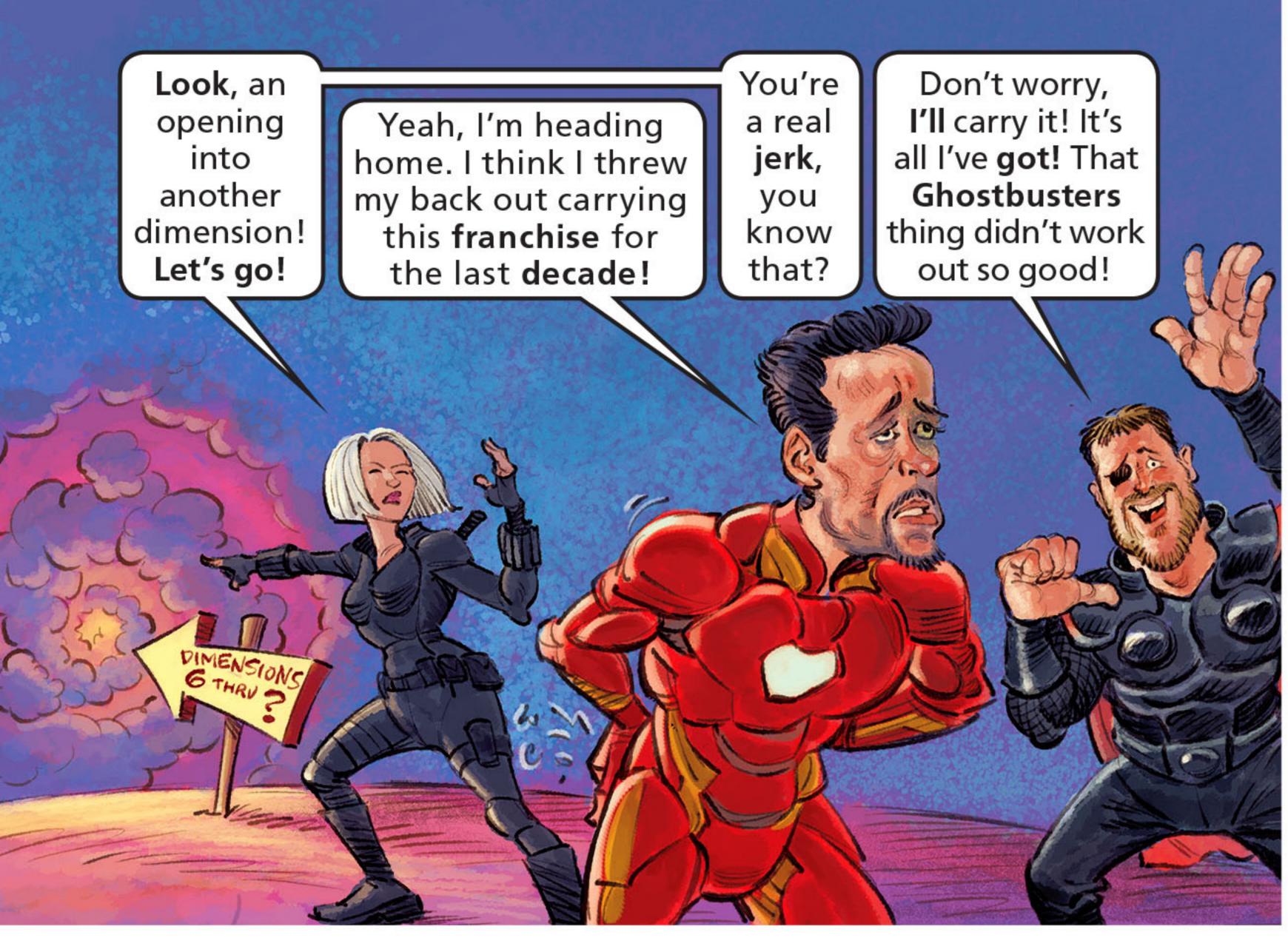


























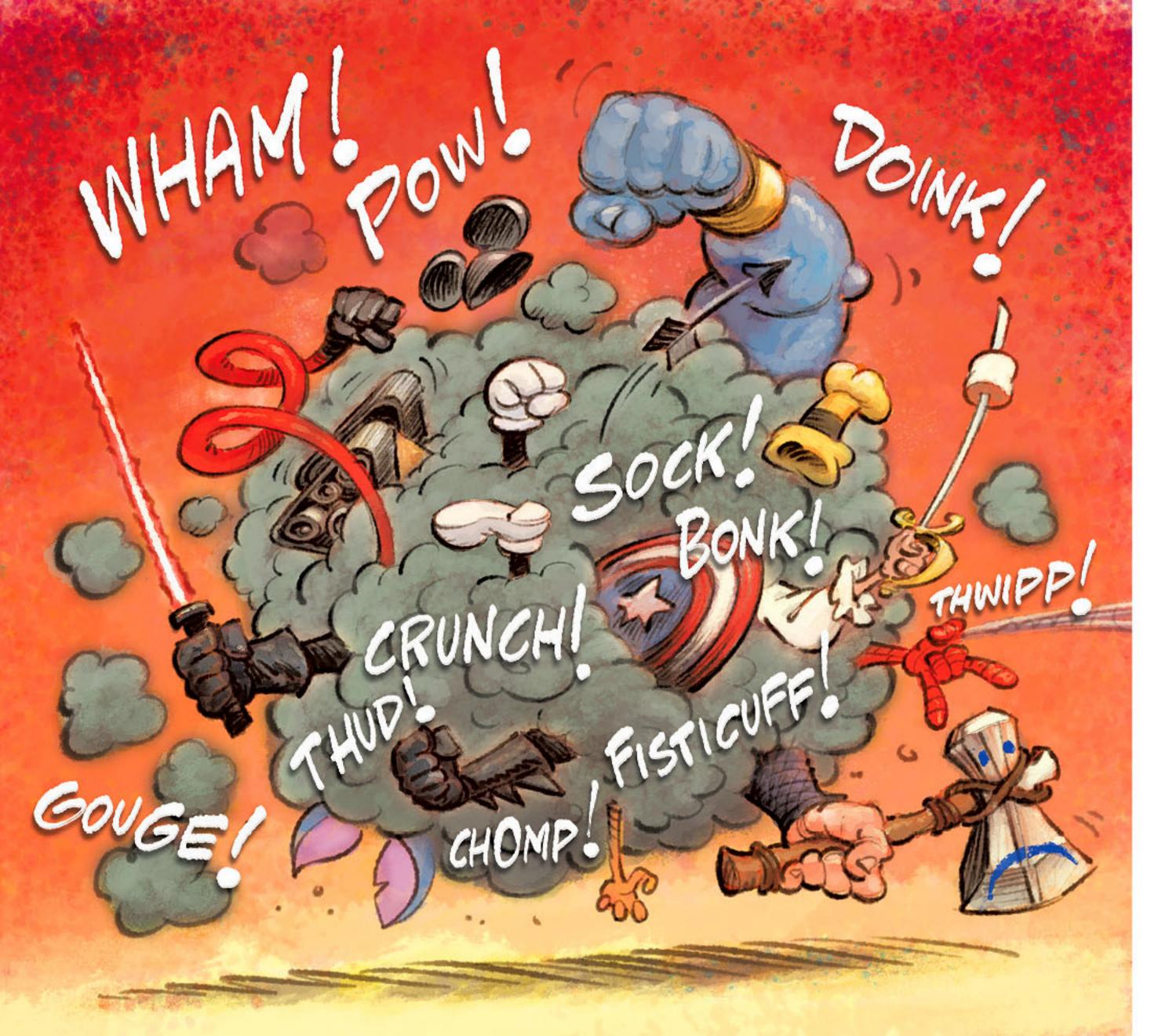










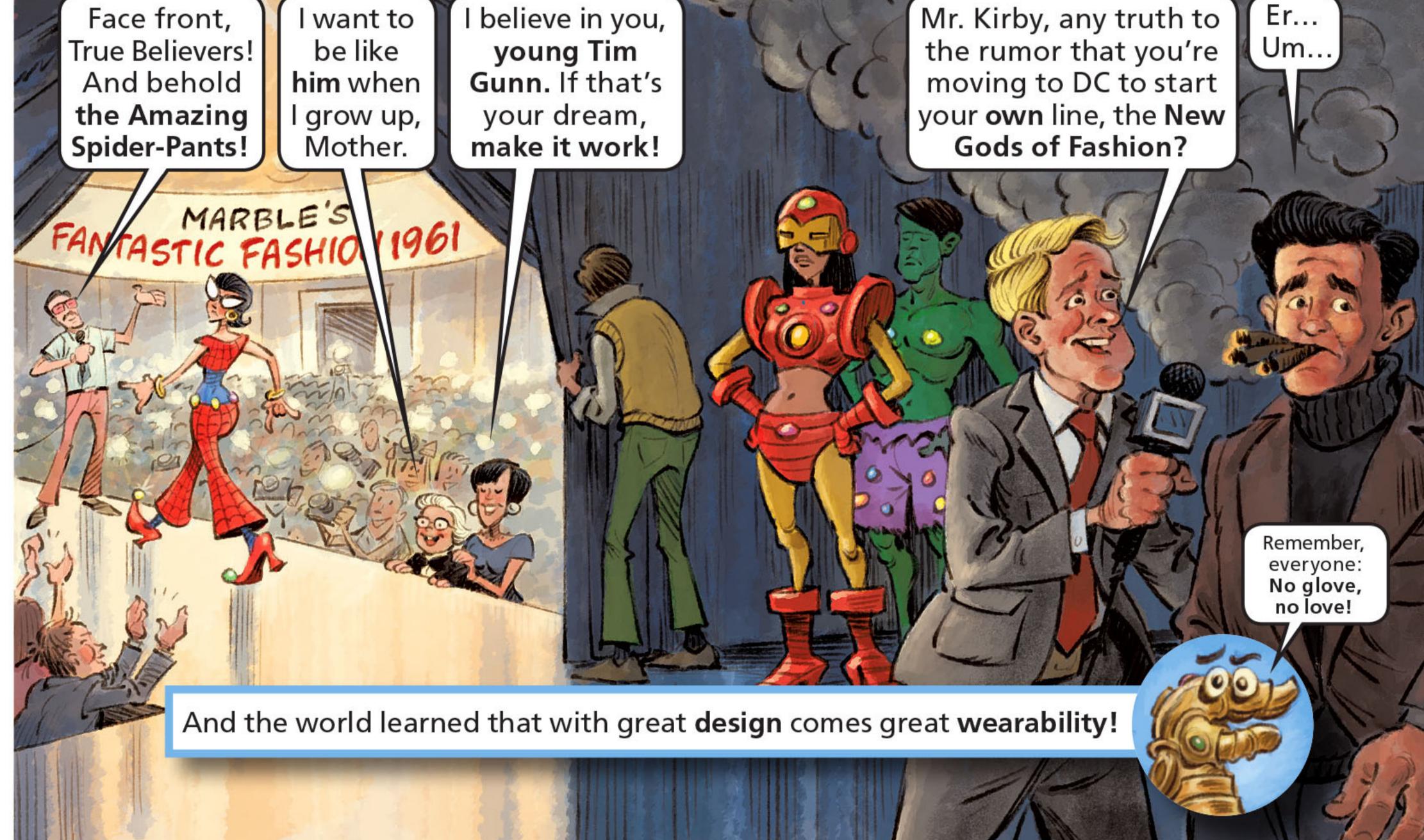














THE WISENHEIM MUSEUM

Over its notorious 66-year history, MAD has left its mark on (some might say scarred) generations of creative types! Here in The Wisenheim Museum, we invite those visionaries to pay tribute to (some might say get back at) the magazine that set them on their creative (some might say degenerate) course!

A SON OF MAD

by DREW FRIEDMAN

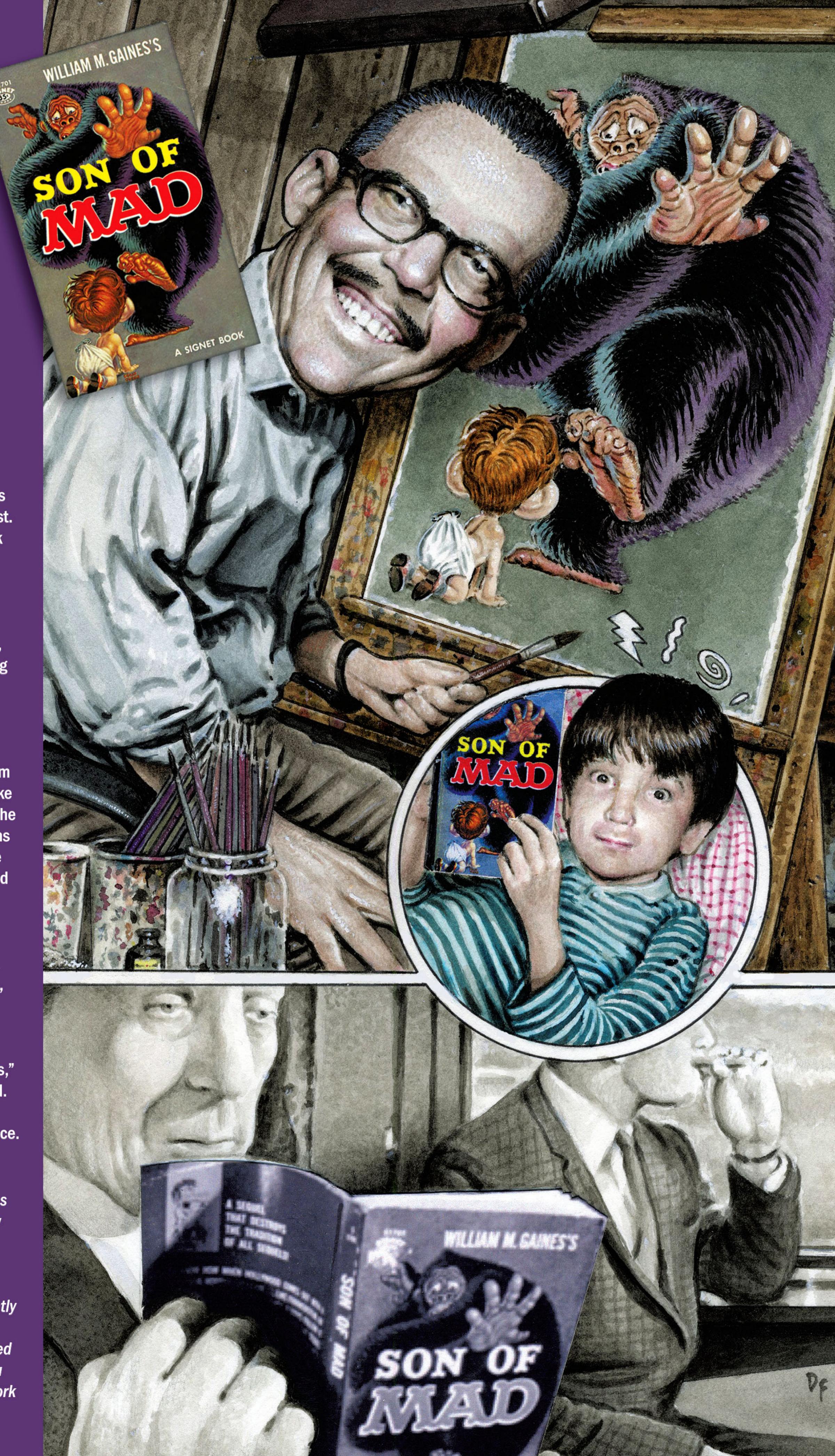
Beginning in the late 1950's, the renowned illustrator Frank "Kelly" Freas was hired by MAD to be their cover artist. His vivid cover for the 1959 paperback *Son of MAD* is the first MAD image I remember seeing, and it remains, to this day, my favorite cover. The abject fear in the poor gorilla's face, the terrified-yet-nuanced pose of his body, the curled toes—all as he's encountering the infant Alfred E. Neuman as seen from behind. Pure visual perfection!

The cover is memorable to me for another reason. In the Beatles' first film *A Hard Day's Night*, the character Shake is briefly seen reading *Son of MAD* in the opening train scene. Two towering icons forever converged in that moment, The Beatles and MAD! When I first watched that scene, I was so thrilled my head (almost) exploded.

The moment I discovered that cover at age five, my life changed. From then on, I was a "Son of MAD." Not only did it lead me to becoming an obsessive MAD fan, but it spurred my mission to someday join the "Usual Gang of Idiots," something I later (amazingly) achieved.

Here's my take on that life-altering piece.

Drew Friedman's comics and illustrations have appeared in Raw, Weirdo, Heavy Metal, National Lampoon, Spy, The American Bystander and MAD, among others. A documentary about his work "Vermeer of the Borscht Belt" is currently being made. Friedman is married to K. Bidus and they live in an undisclosed bunker with their beagle, Gunther. You can view more of Drew's amazing artwork at: drewfriedman.net







hou Shalt Microwave Fish in Office Kitchens

hou Shalt Feed Bacon to Vegans

hou Shalt Throw Thy Birthday Party on a Weeknight

hou Shalt Line up at Thy Airport Gate Before Thy Group Is Called

hou Shalt Join the Church of Scientology

hou Shalt Gaslight People Trying to Love Thee

hou Shalt Run for President on a Platform of Racism Solely for Personal Gain

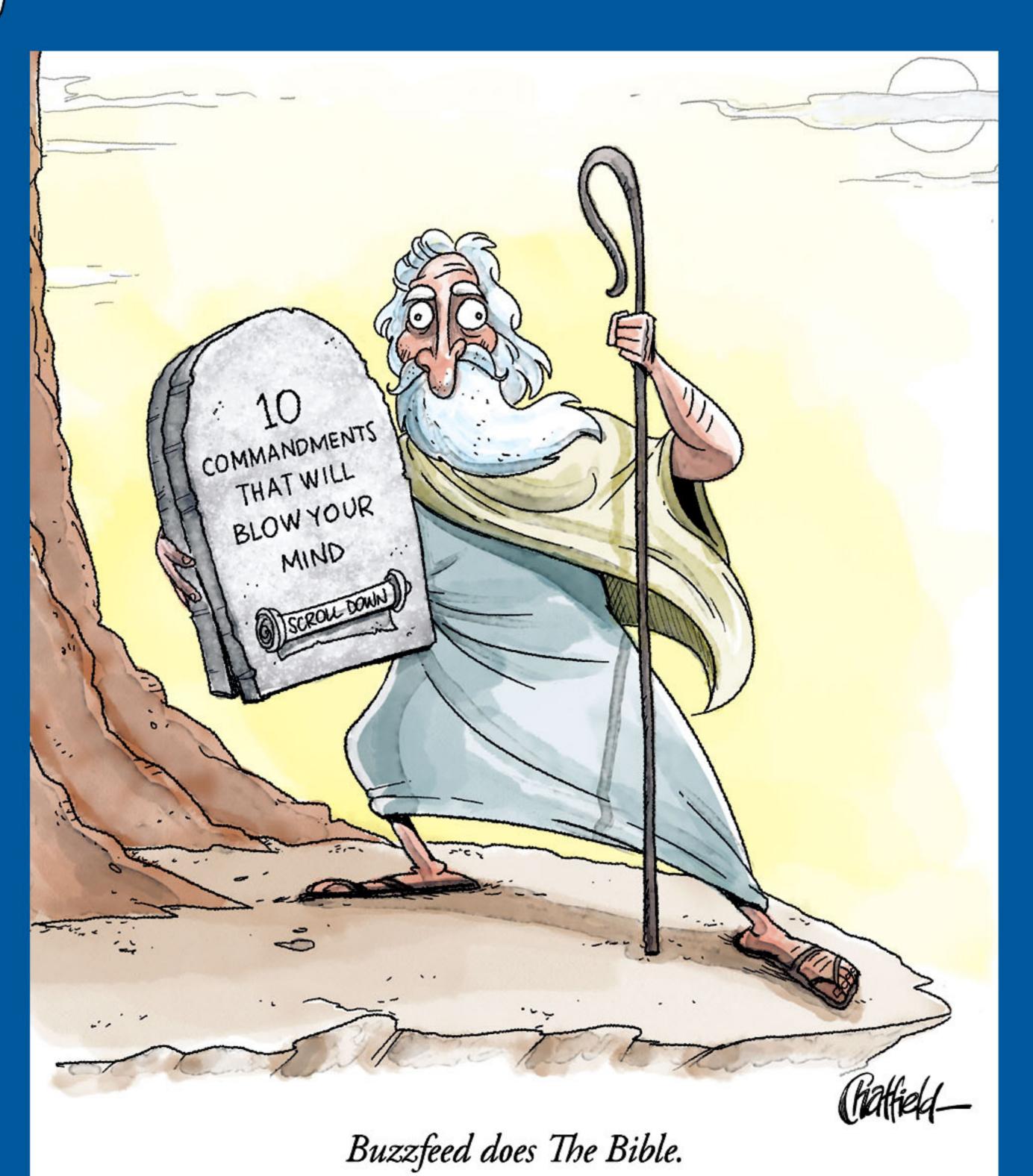
hou Shalt Marry Thy Adopted Daughter

Thou Shalt Use False Pretenses to Date Women

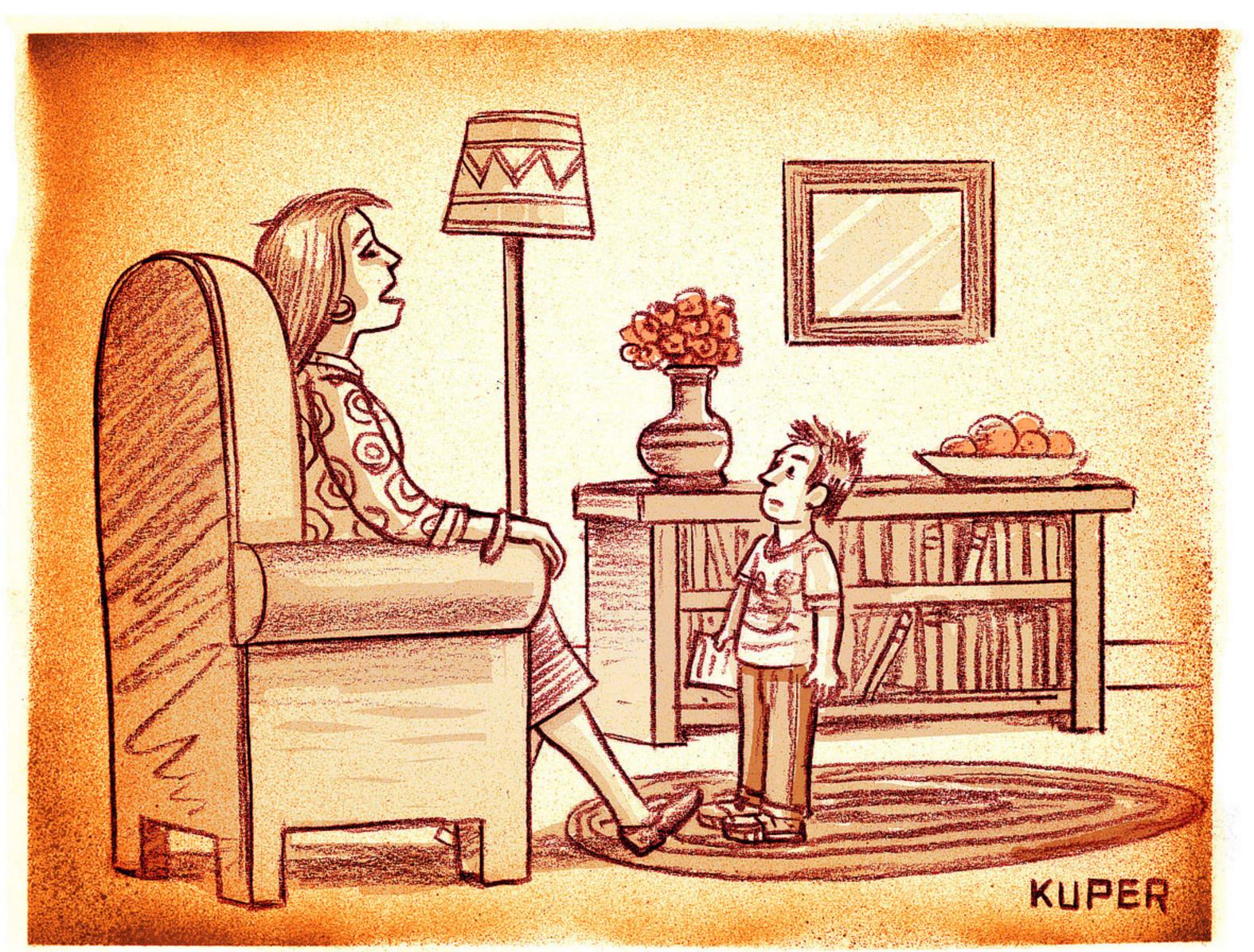
hou Shalt Always Victim Blame

hou Shalt Produce a Known Abuser's Next Film





WRITER & ARTIST JASON CHATFIELD



"Double-check that with Daddy--Mommy's microdose just kicked in."

WRITER & ARTIST PETER KUPER



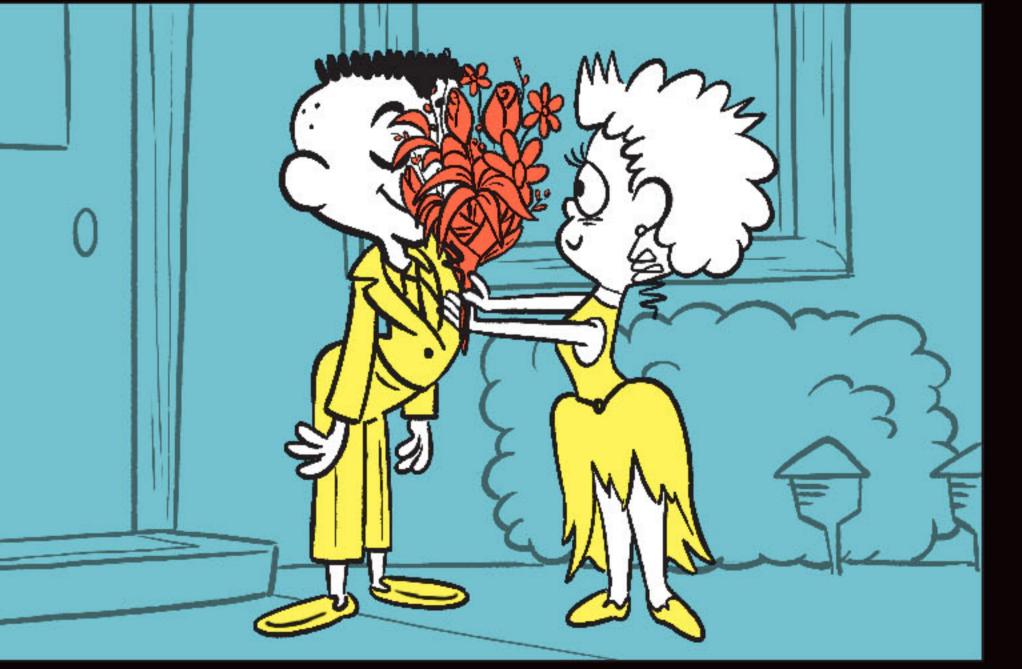
Don't procrastinate! Ask your date to confirm Worrice their availability no later than the 3rd grade. Wit



Be sure to invest in some really nice shoes, since you'll be staring at them all night.



Worried about making eye contact with your date? With a big enough corsage, you won't have to!



If you're worried about your deodorant not making it through the night, grab one of those Yankee Candles your mom keeps in the bathroom.



to use when the chaperones aren't looking, such as Stratego or Magic: The Gathering.

Bored? Smuggle in some "party enhancers"

WRITER KENNY KEIL

ARTIST A PERSON

WRITER & ARTIST

BOB ECKSTEIN

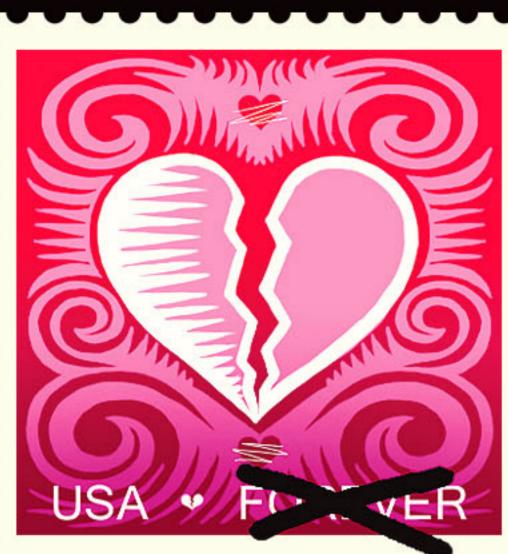


Scared to dance in public? Politely request that the DJ play an audiobook instead.



NOTHING

Being left at the altar is no excuse to leave Aunt Pattie waiting for a thank you card! Your marriage might be over, but you'll love these stamps till death do you part.



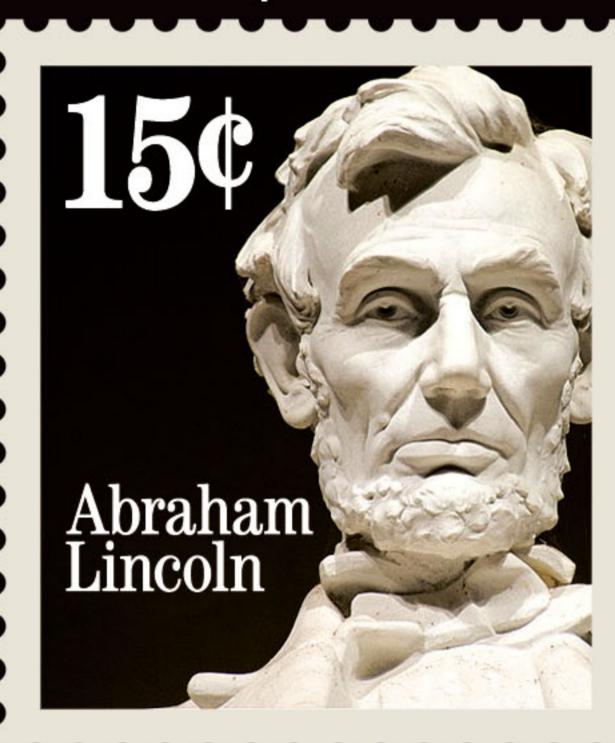
VINTAGE

BIG TOP UH-OH'S

NOT-SO-HOT RODS Once the envy of every driver on the road, this rusted-out death trap is now home to a family of racoons!

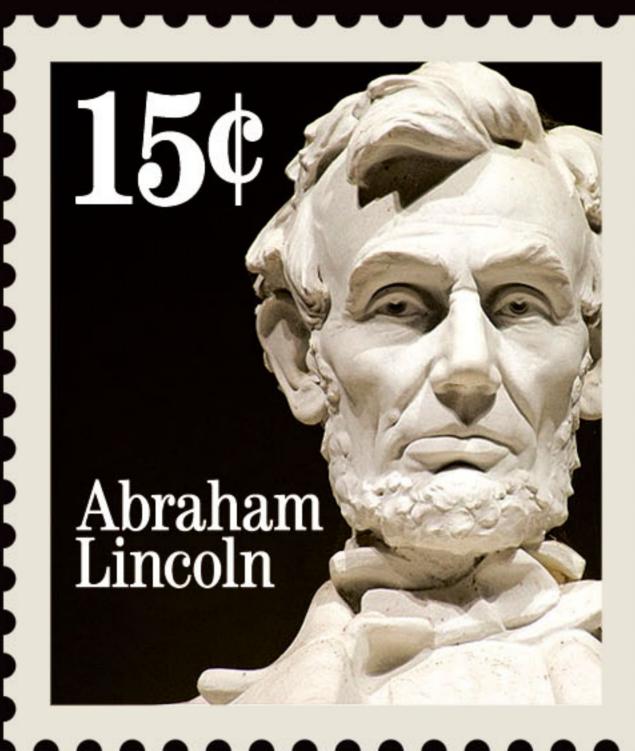


be whisked back to a time



SALUTE TO

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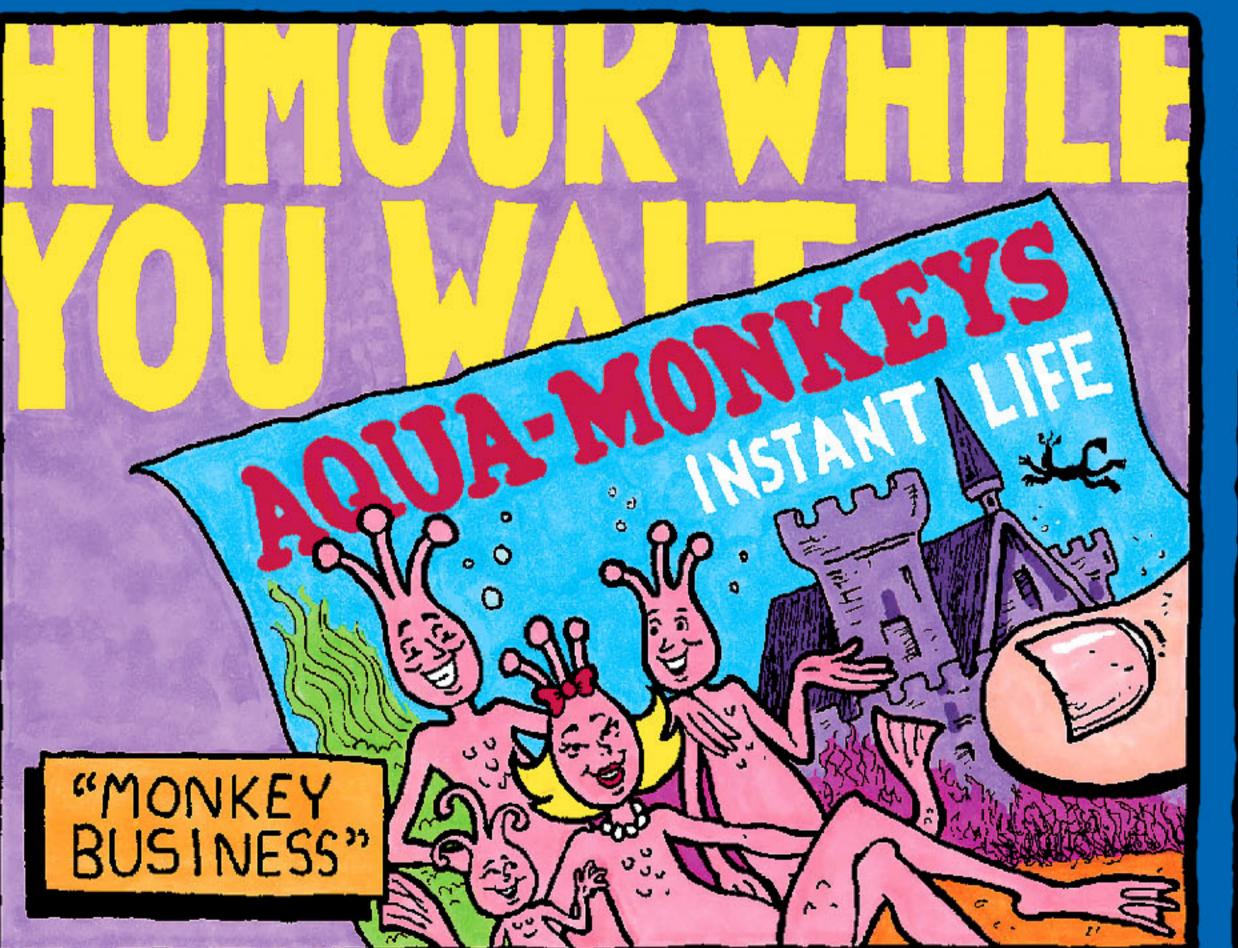


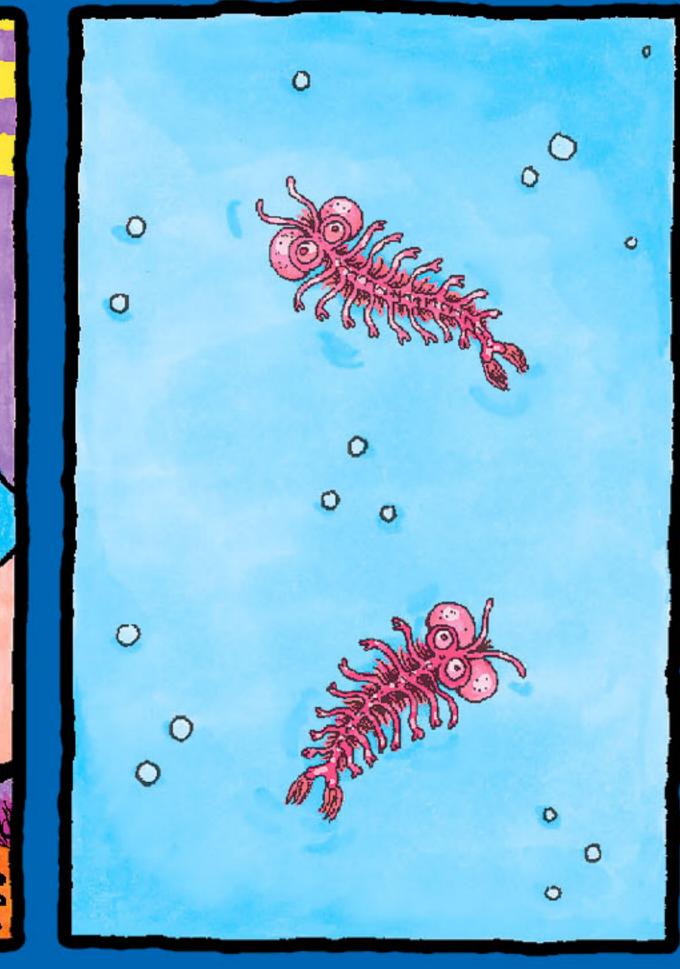
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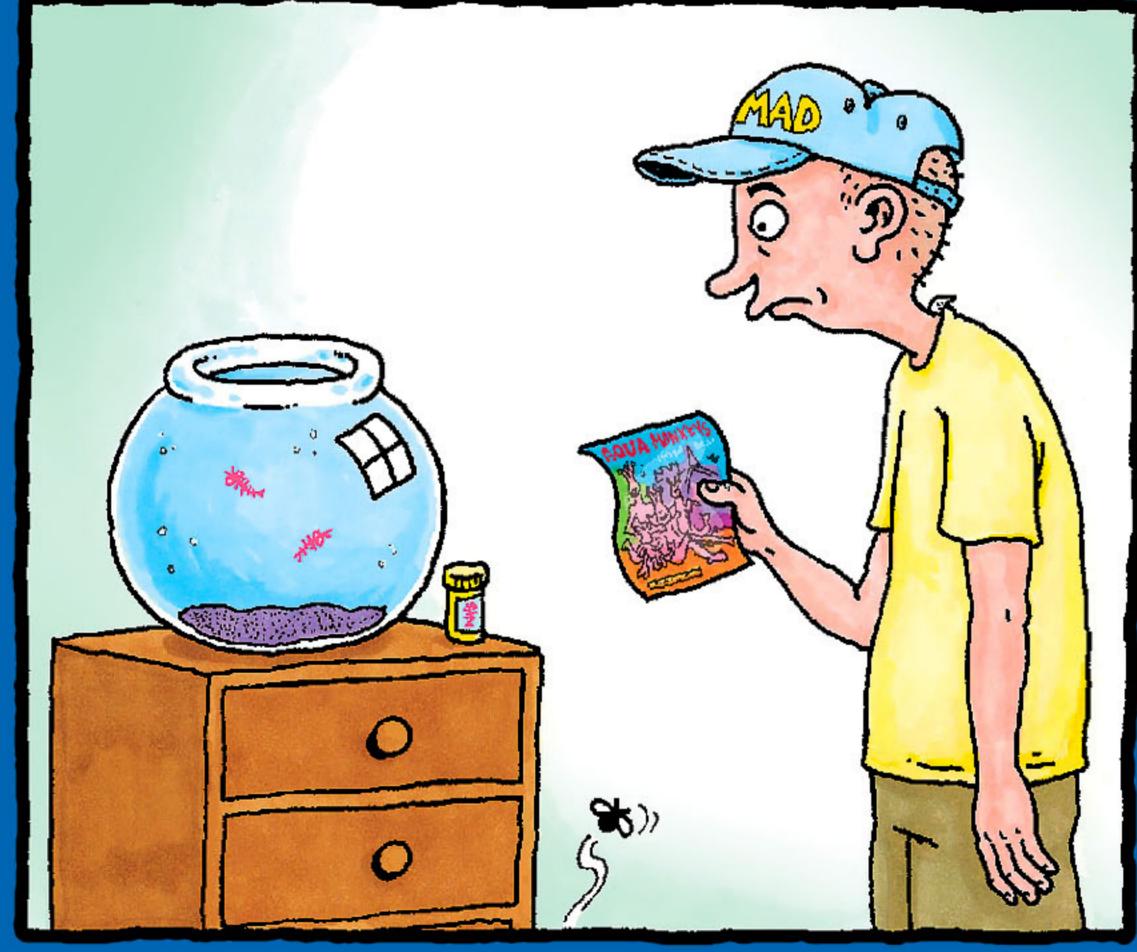
Tell friends and family across the world, "Hey, we're all in this together."



ARTIST **SARAH CHALEK**











WRITER & ARTIST KYLE BRIDGETT



Can you wake me up

if I sleep through my

4am alarm?

I HATE YOU! I HATE YOU!

I HATE YOU! Oooof.

Okay. Aura cleansed.

Do you want me to

die of dehydration?

Then give me the shower

for the next three days.

Your boyfriend came

by and I told him it's over.

You're too good for him.

"Fellas - I'm making my move."

WRITER & ARTIST LARS KENSETH



Let me know if you find my Diva Cup? Last time

I saw it, it was full.

ARTIST DAVID DEGRAND

You should thank me. Those books I KonMaried were a fire hazard.

> That stain on the couch? Hmm. I'm gonna say...Nutella.

Wear boots. My solution to the rodent problem escaped...

I got a job interview! Can you pee in this for me?





I've been reading MAD for over 50 years, and know that MAD strives for accuracy and truth.

I was surprised, therefore, to see two glaring errors on the cover of the Feb. 2019 issue, No. 5.

Donald Trump is shown with a much flatter abdomen and much larger bulge in his underpants than the public knows to be real. Is this your attempt to put him in a better light, or was it an oversight?

Mark Lindahl, Des Moines, IA

Snarky Mark—Hey, that's our president you're talking about! Did you also

notice his perfectly proportionate (if not slightly large) hands? Our Dear Leader is an ideal physical specimen who is beyond reproach, much like his contemporaries in North Korea and Mother

Russia. He is also smart, brave, honest, merciful, and tenacious, and you should be very careful about criticizing him, because he is literally 50 feet tall.

Alex Taffer,
MAD Intern and
Chief Letter Answerer

SAY "UNCLE"! ZAK WARD'S IN-OFFICE VISIT

I grew up treating my big brother like he farted gold. (He didn't, but he did light them on fire, which was better than 70's TV). He was my hero and he read MAD Magazine. Of course, he wouldn't let me read his copies until he'd finished. Only then was I allowed to touch the treasured remains.

In the summer of '75, there was no greater joy than reading over his shoulder, laughing at Sergio Aragonés cartoons or "oooh"ing over the Fold-Ins while slurping Freezies or making a mess out of a Choco Taco. It's because of him, Carson Thaddeus Foster, that I fell in love with MAD and became an actor. (He argued with our Mom about it and won.)

So when MAD spoofed "A Christmas Story" and turned Scut Farkus into Snot Carcass...the holy grail of brilliantly idiotic, sublime stupidity dubbed us worthy of their sacred pages! Bro, WE MADE IT! One of the greatest experiences in my life is to be included in these these pages as the lovable bully jerk I am, and I share it with my big, goofy-goombah of an older brother.

Thank you, MAD. Thanks, Carson. (Now, light those farts!)

Zack Ward, Los Angeles

We will, Zack. We will. —AT





Greetings from Panama! I'm Nelson Hernández.

I am a great admirer, reader, and fan of your magazine! I just got the latest issue today! I'm also a MAD collector, though it's sometimes difficult to have items sent in the mail to Panama. My favorite characters are the spies in "Spy Vs. Spy."

Con mis atentos saludos, Nelson Hernández, Panama

Notorio Nelson—¡Qué maravilloso que leas la revista MAD 👔 en Panamá! Queremos abrir las oficinas sudamericanas de MAD, pero hemos encontrado un problema. Nuestro presidente, el Sr. Trump, ama tanto a MAD que está construyendo un muro para mantenerse MAD para sí mismo. También hemos sospechado que se convirtió en presidente solo para controlar la oficina de correos y, por lo tanto, todos los envíos de recuerdos de "Spy vs. Spy." Algunos dicen que es un hombre muy egoísta, pero lo entendemos. —AT

To the editors and creators of MAD Magazine,

I really enjoy the content you guys make. I look forward to getting a new magazine every month. I really think you should make a comic about Rick and Morty, and share your opinions on the show.

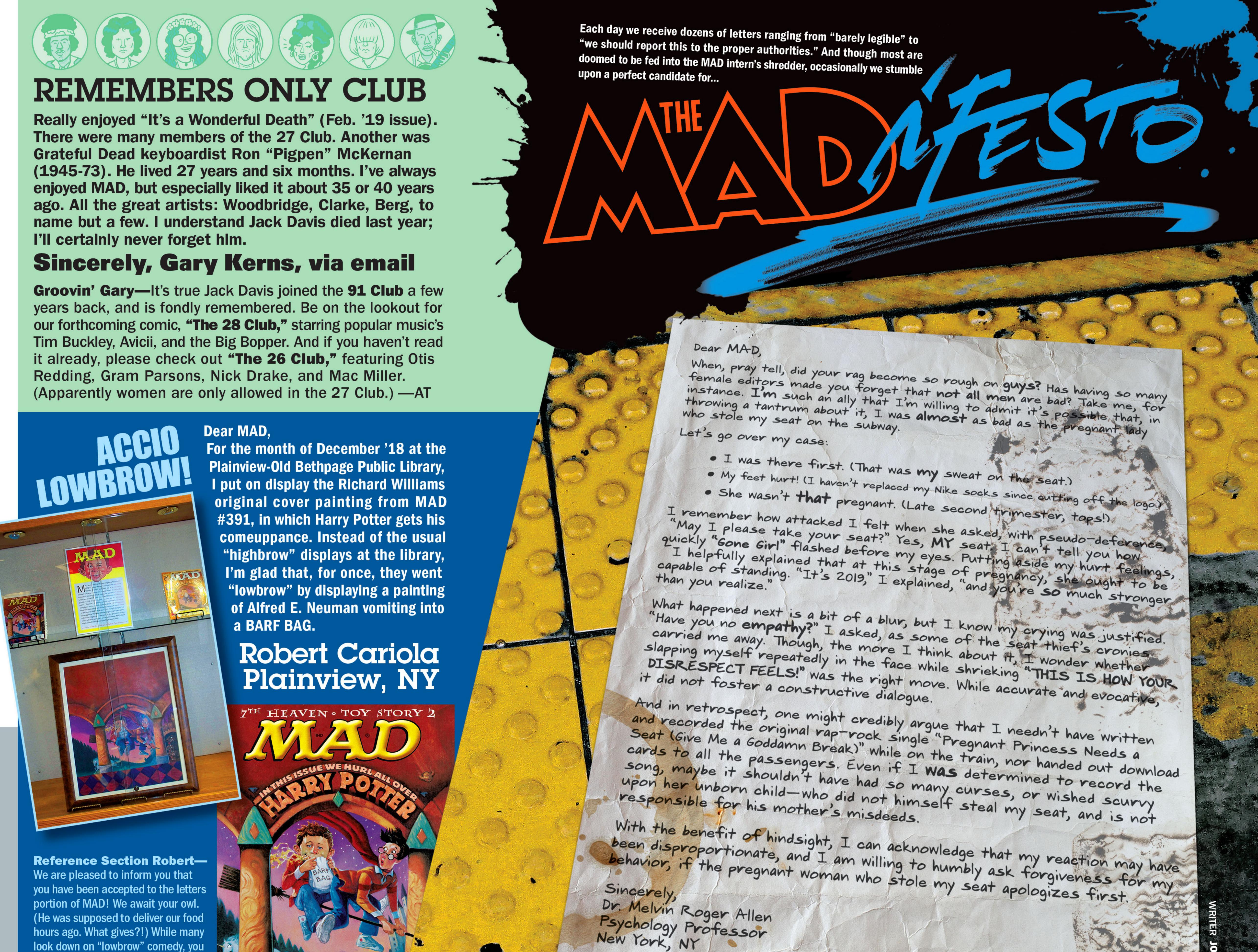
Thanks, Tanner Colatosti, via email

Fleeb Cola—Oh, you didn't know? You're actually living in a MAD parody of Rick and Morty. Someone is playing the Roy VR game, and right now Roy is playing a game called *Tanner*. This was all explained in an Easter egg hidden in Morty's Mind Blowers Part 6, but maybe you...grruk...missed it! PS: This is all also inside a Zygirion simulation, of course. PPS: EVERY month? We'd love to live in the timeline where we're monthly! —AT

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in your libary! —AT

sophisticated! After all, we're featured



Dear MAD.

Let's go over my case:

it did not foster a constructive dialogue.

When, pray tell, did your rag become so rough on guys? Has having so many

• My feet hurt! (I haven't replaced my Nike socks since cutting off the logo.)

I remember how attacked I felt when she asked, with pseudo-deference

female editors made you forget that not all men are bad? Take me, for

instance. I'm such an ally that I'm willing to admit it's possible, that, in

throwing a tantrum about it, I was almost as bad as the pregnant lady

· She wasn't that pregnant. (Late second trimester, tops!)

"May I please take your seat?" Yes, MY seat I can't tell you how

carried me away. Though, the more I think about it, I wonder whether

DISRESPECT FEELS!" was the right move. While accurate and evocative,

slapping myself repeatedly in the face while shrieking "THIS IS HOW YOUR

· I was there first. (That was my sweat on the seat.)

Sometimes it's not enough for us to have your fan mail—we also want your SOUL. Well, we finally figured out a way to take that from you: Just send us a true story about something STUPID you actually did, and acclaimed cartoonist **Mike Holmes** might make it into a comic strip! It's...

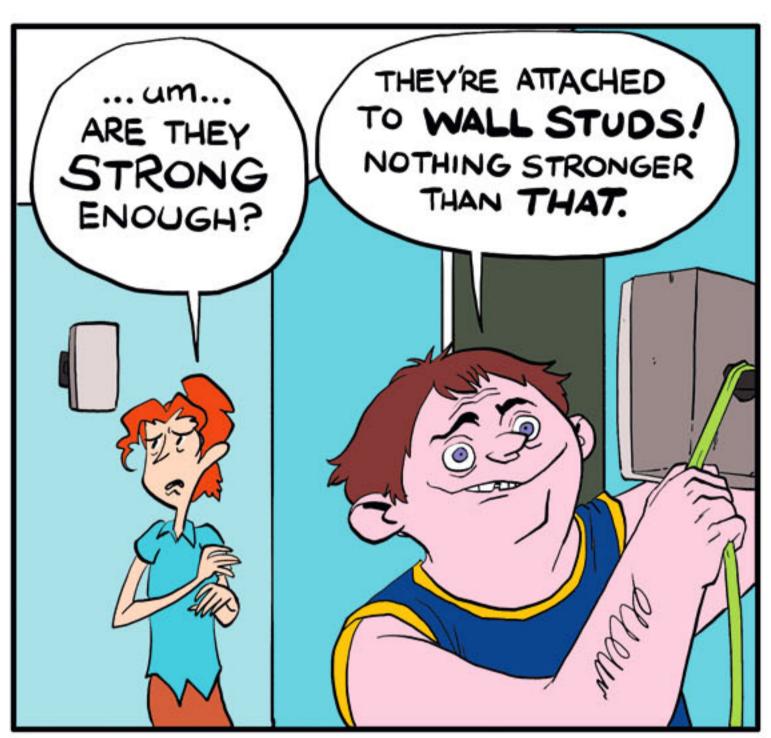
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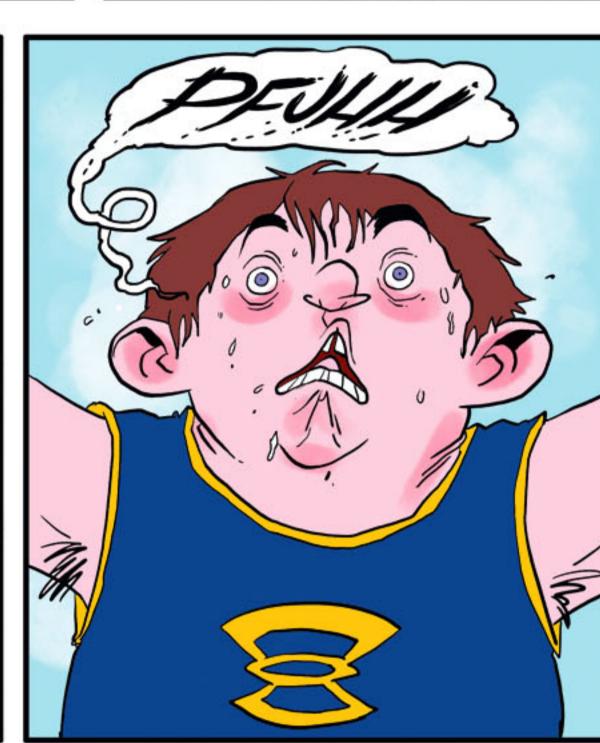


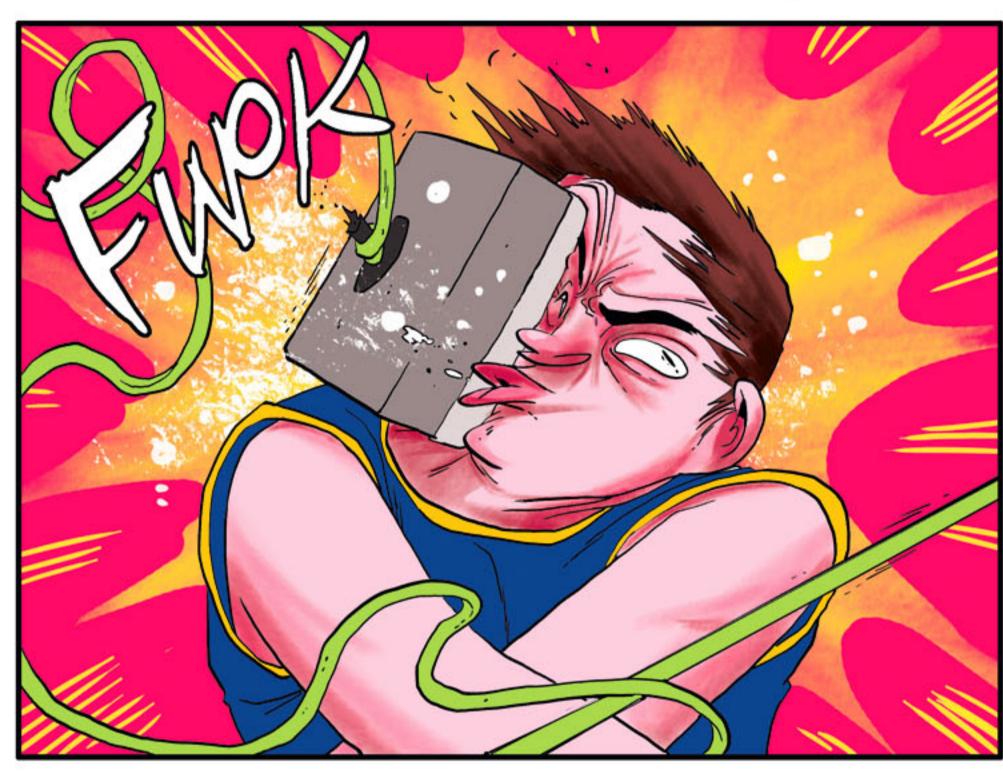
















This issue's story submitted by **Tom Salemme.**

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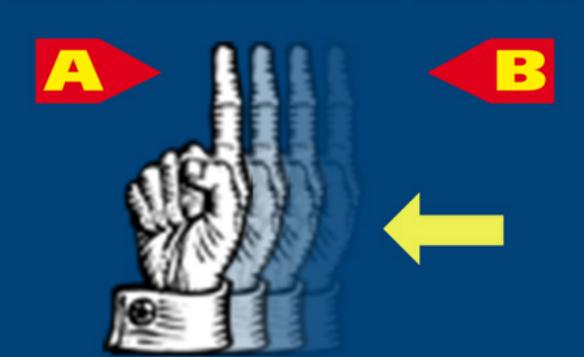
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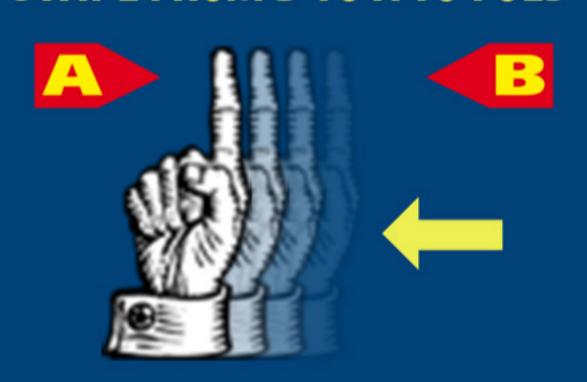


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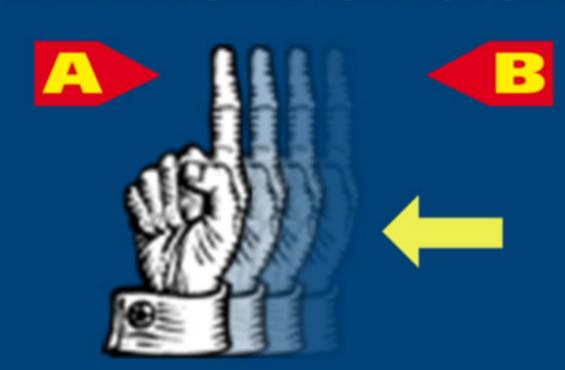
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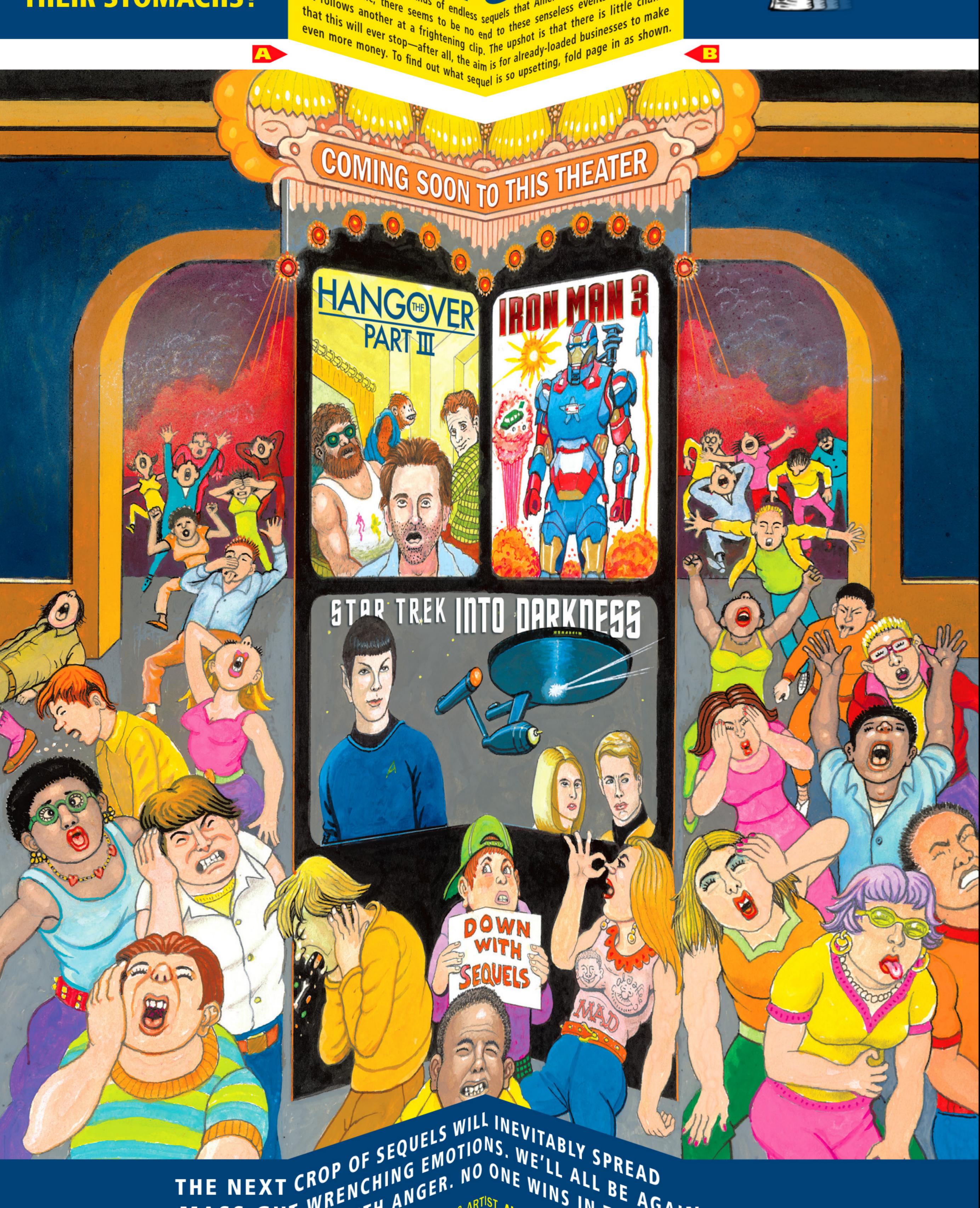


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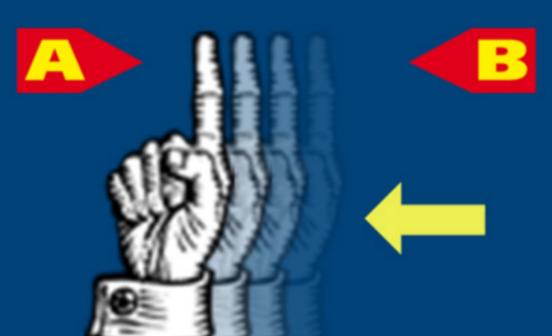
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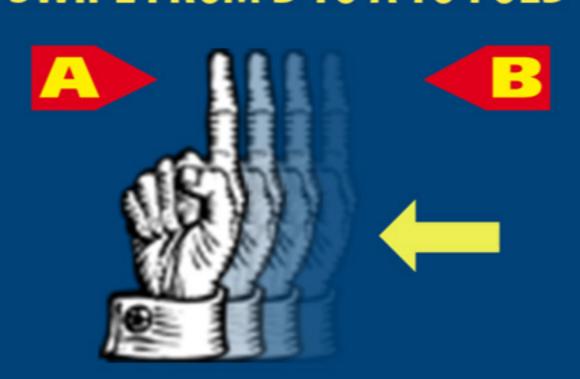


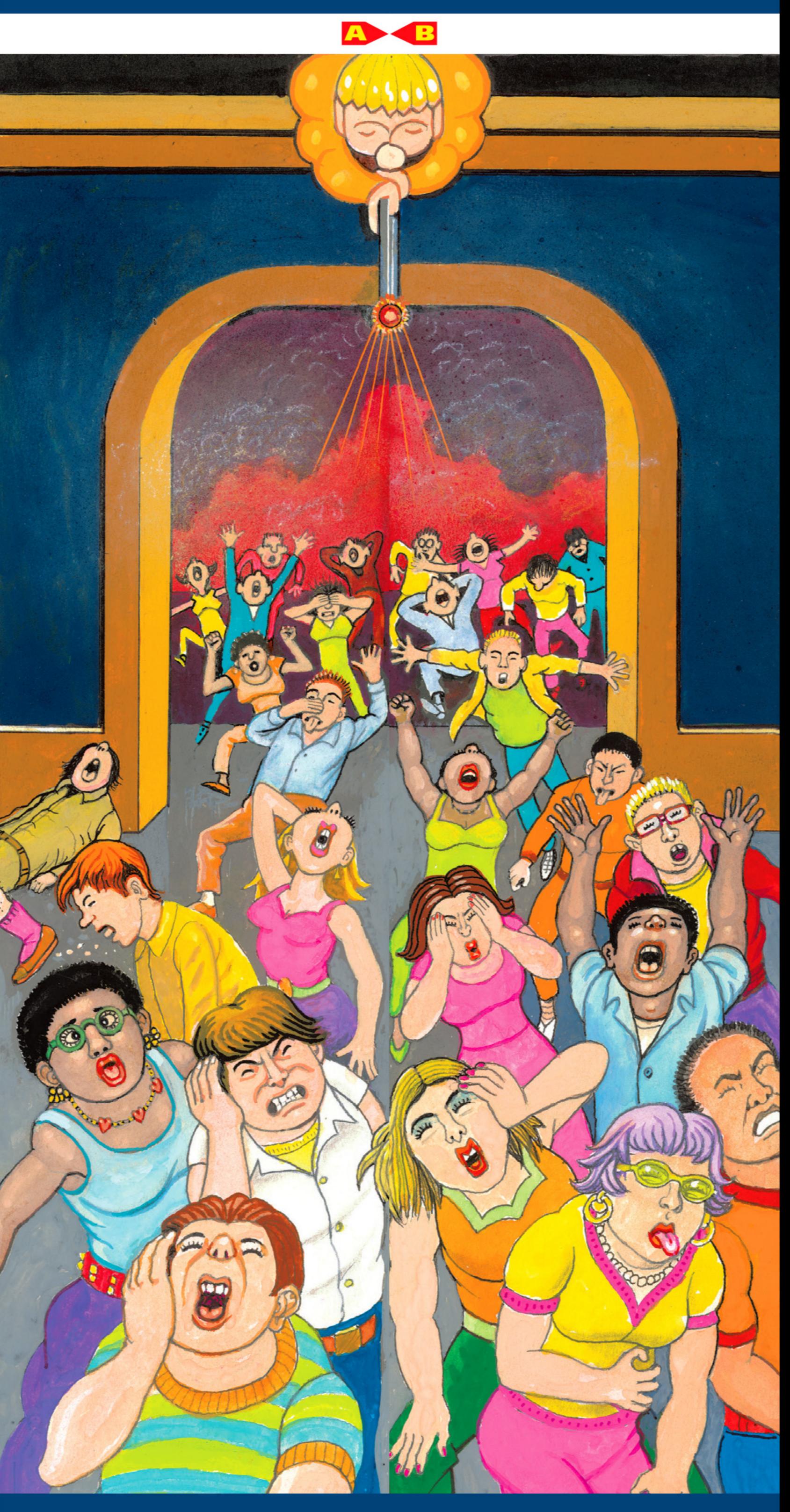




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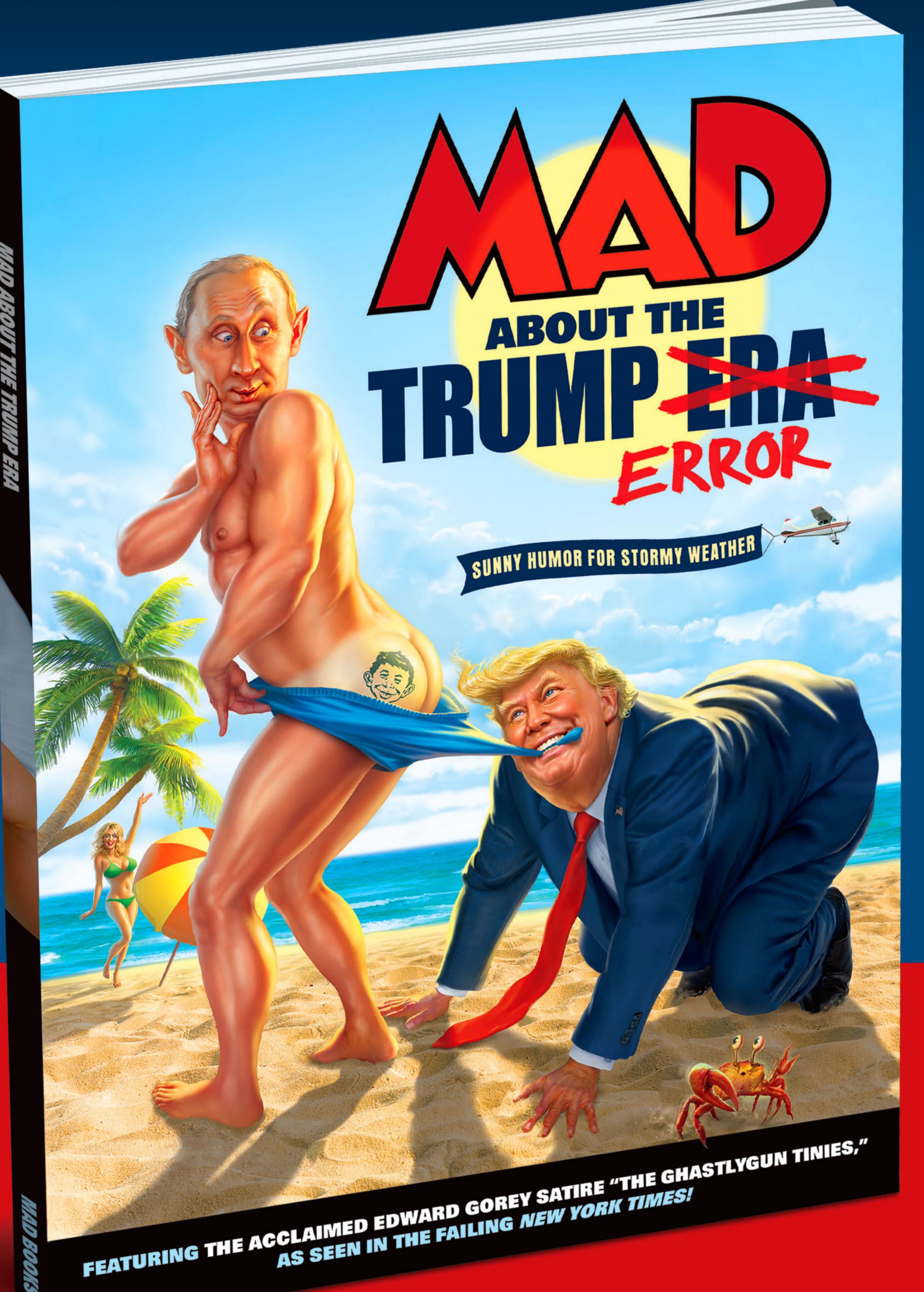


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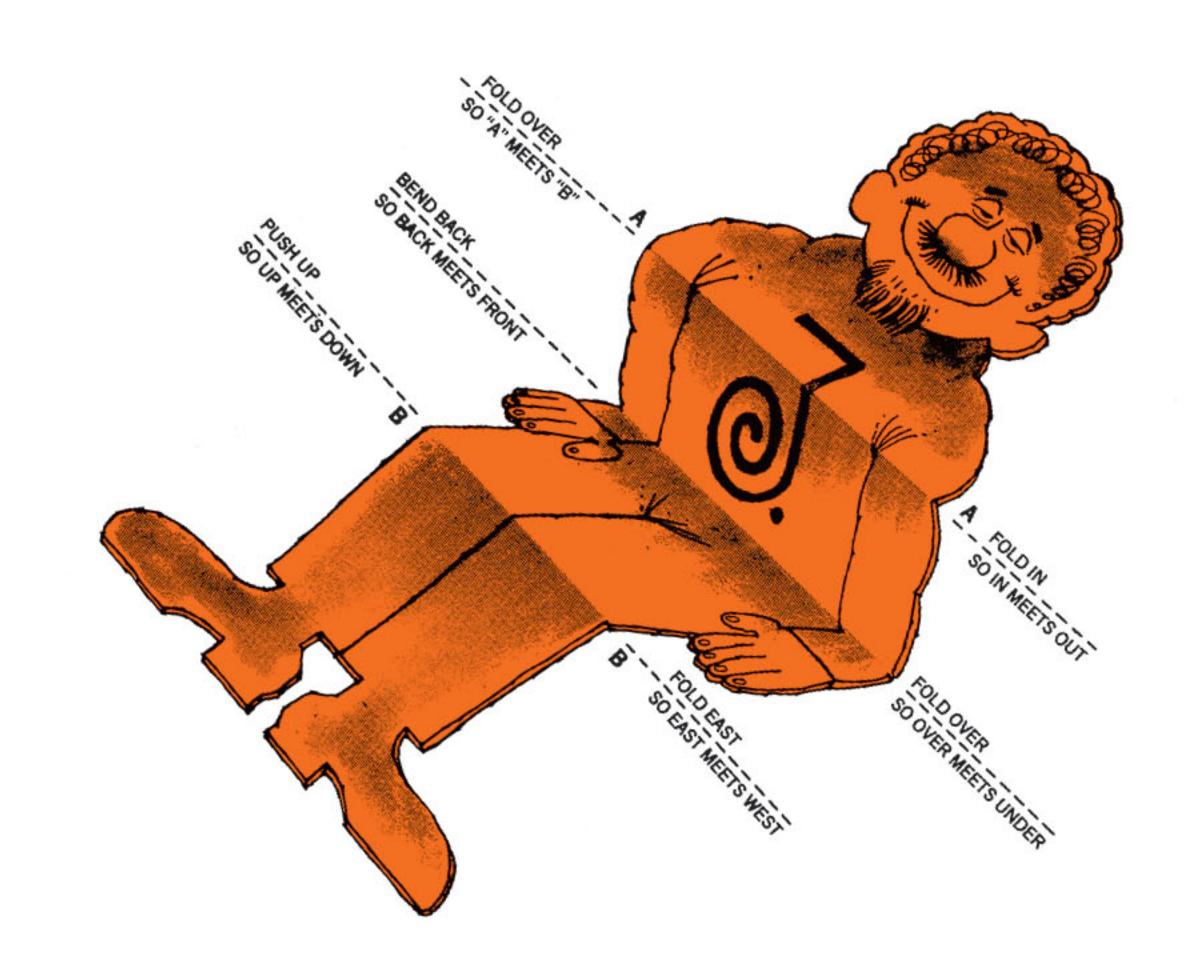
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Ah, spring! Is there any time as sweet to get badgered by police? If you get stuck serving time, why not savor it by reading this vintage piece from the one and only Don Martin.



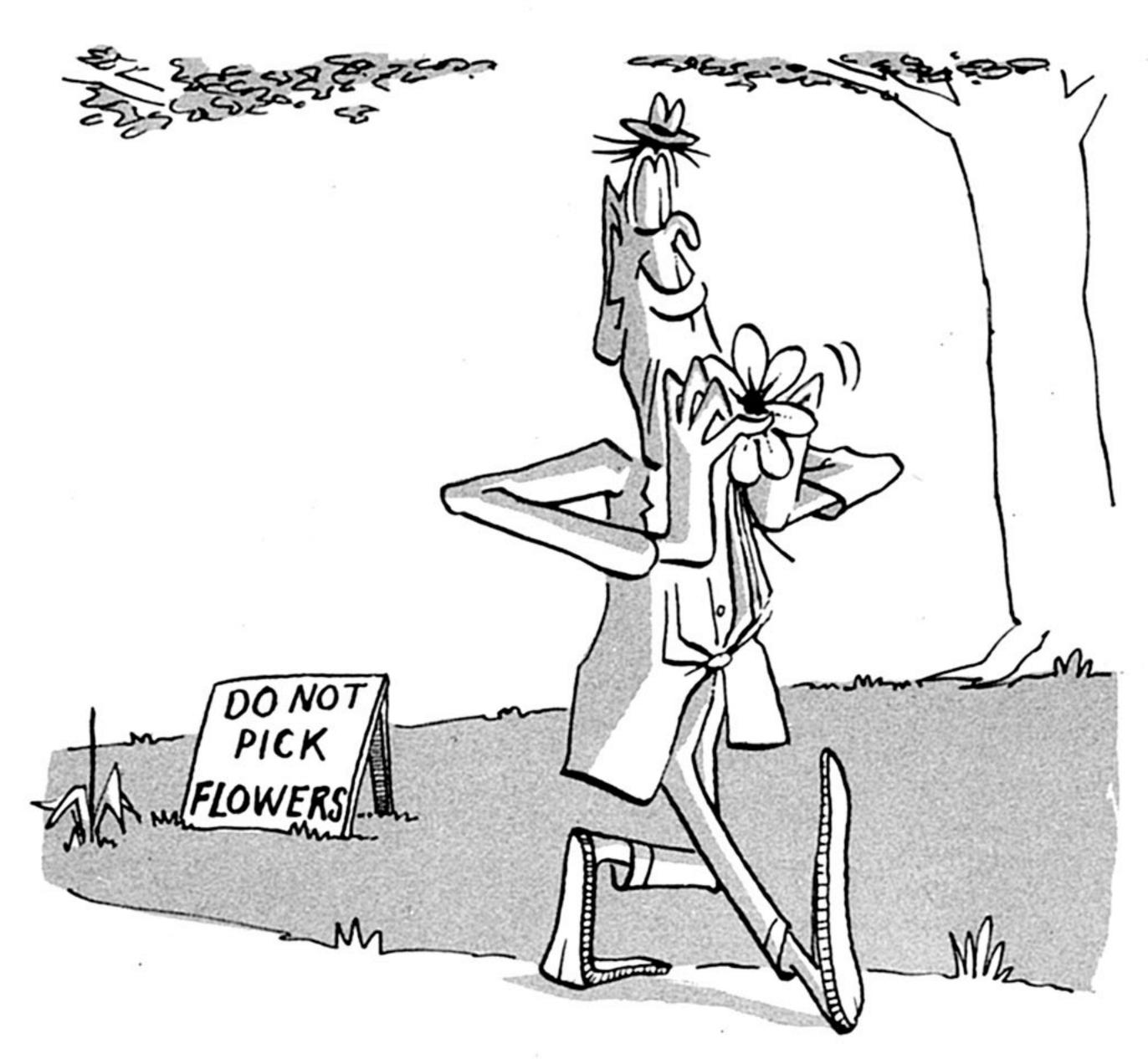
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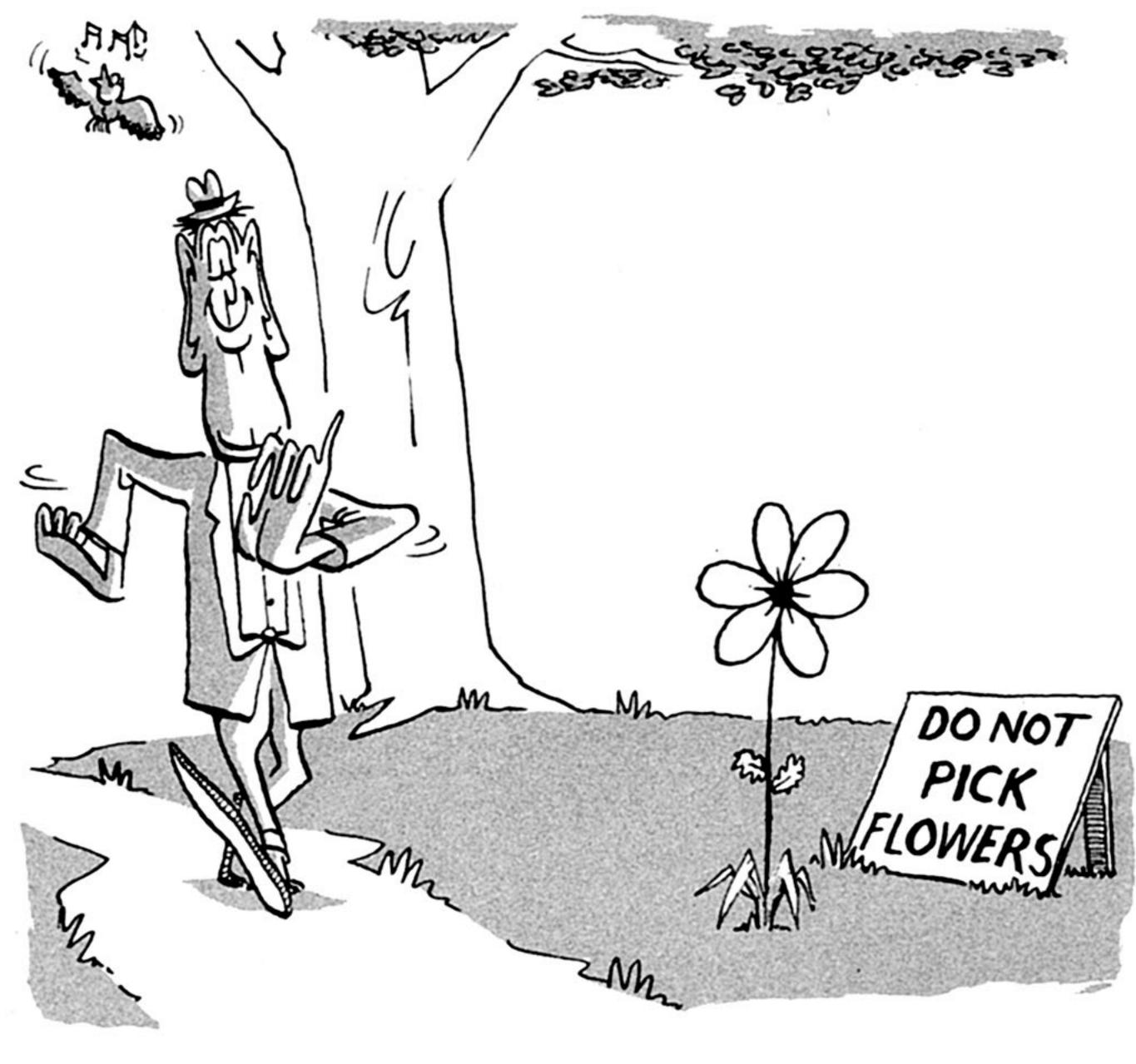


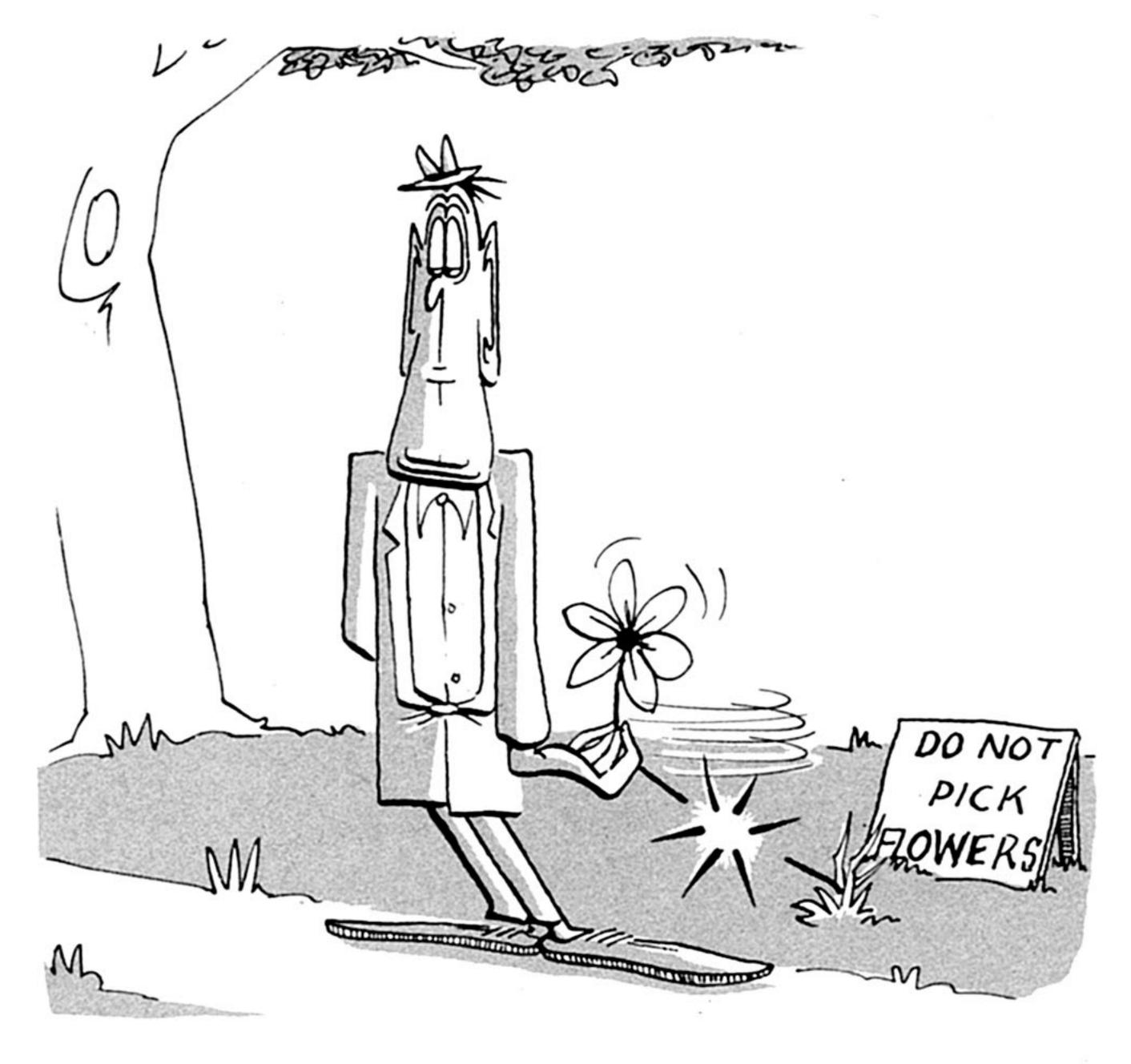
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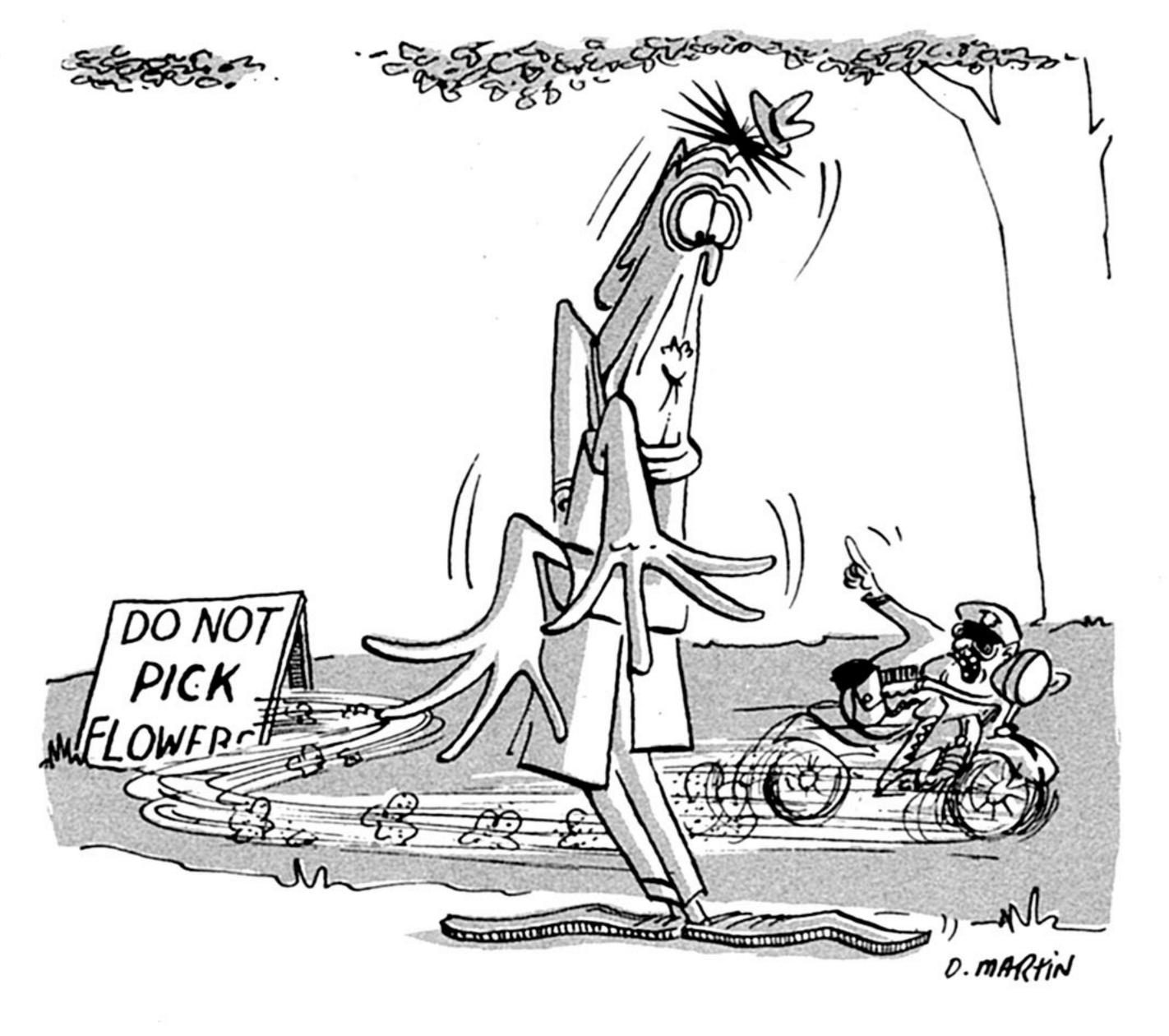
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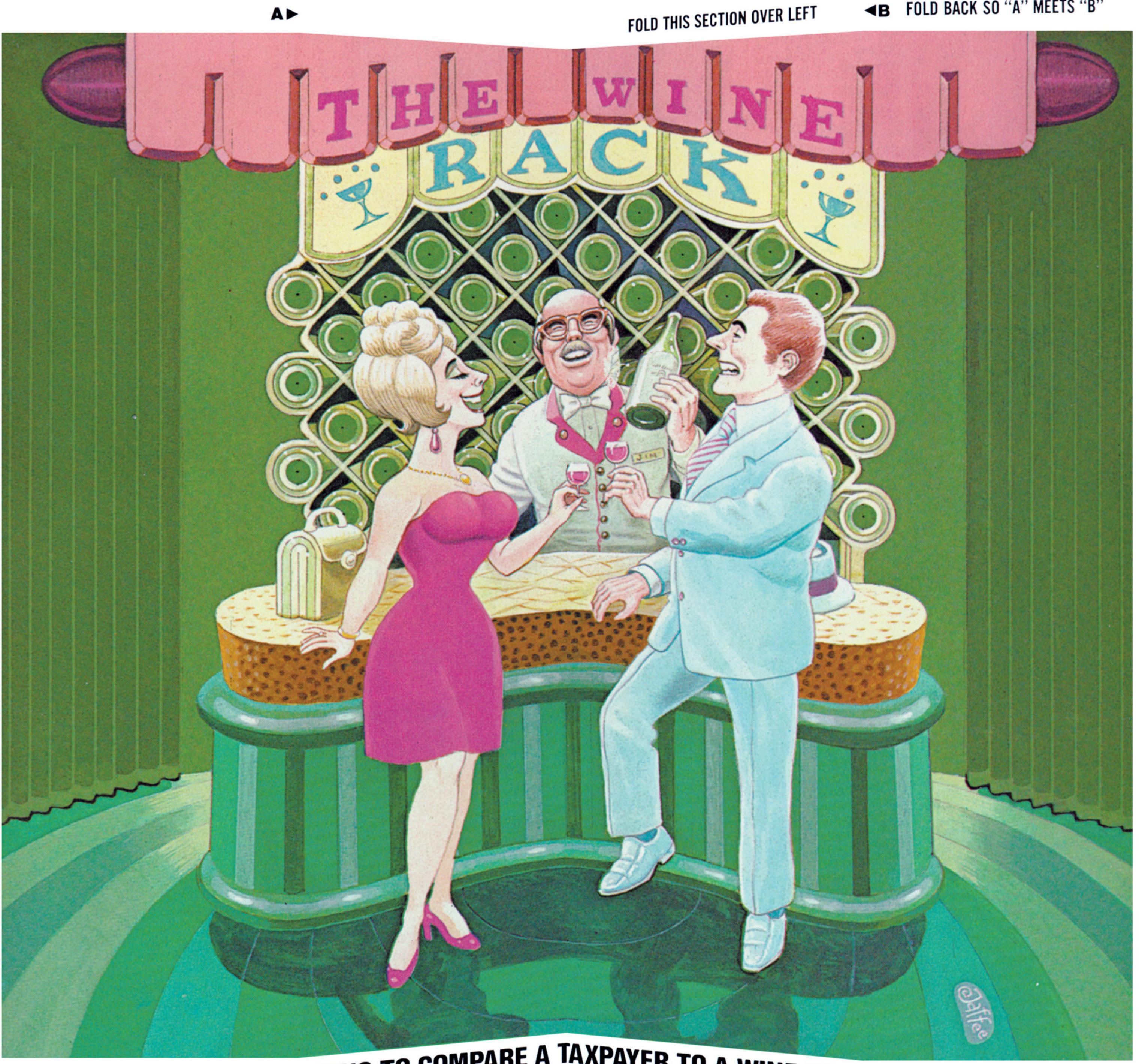
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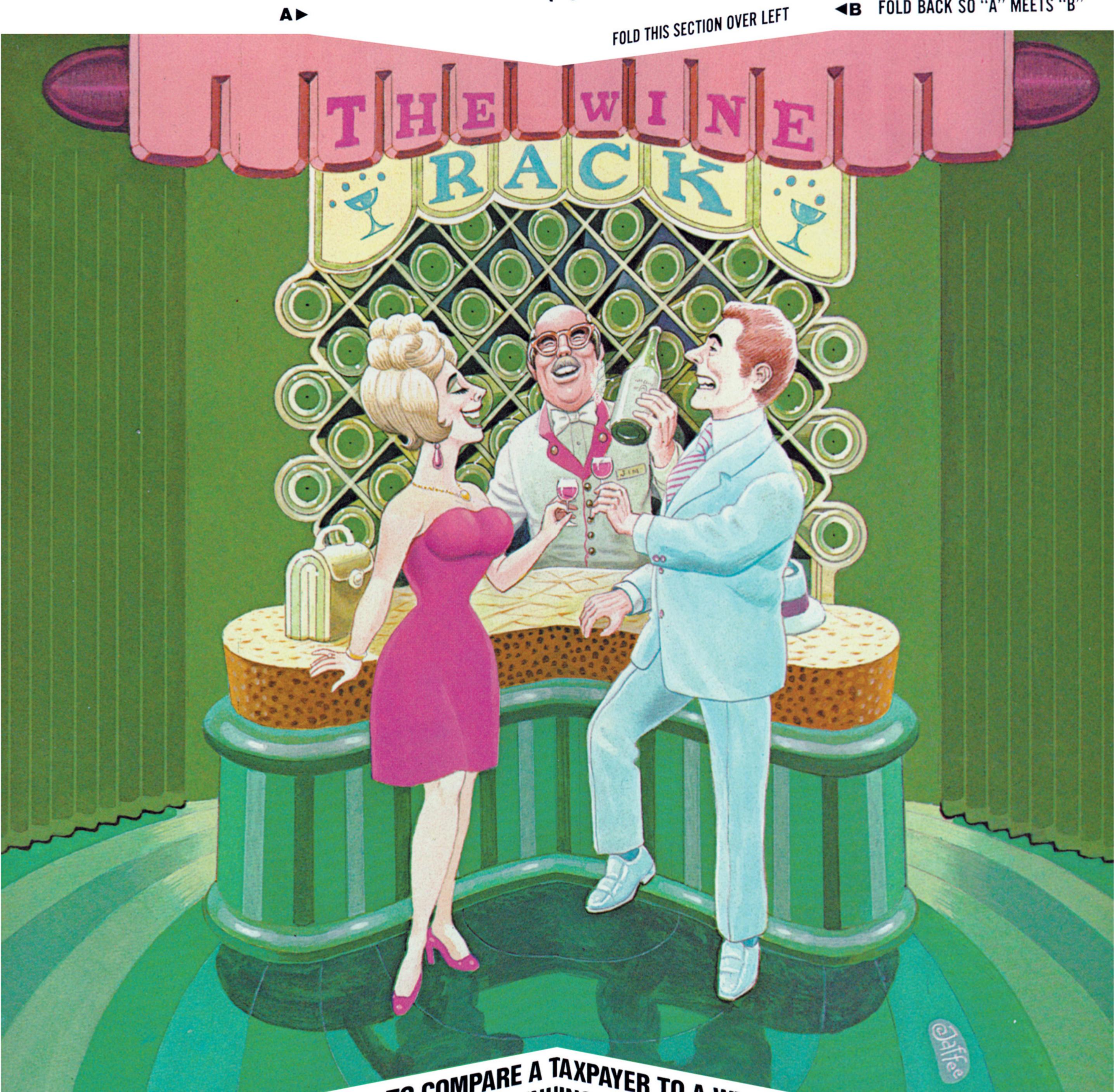
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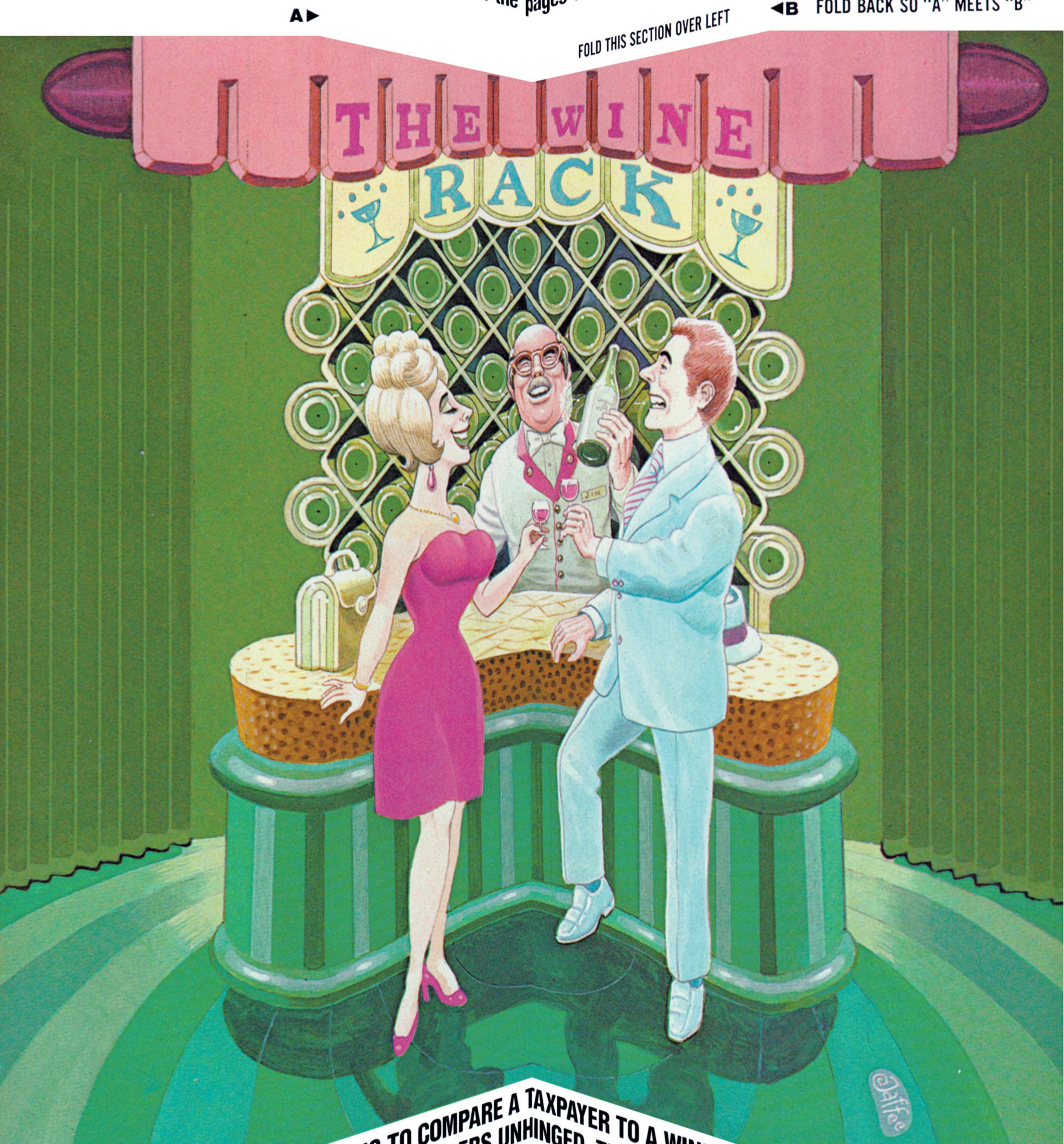
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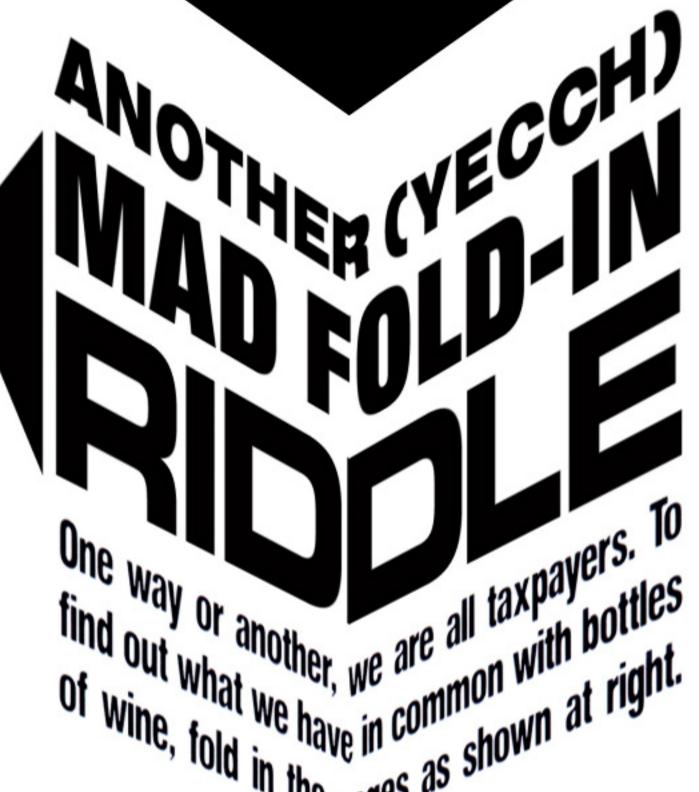


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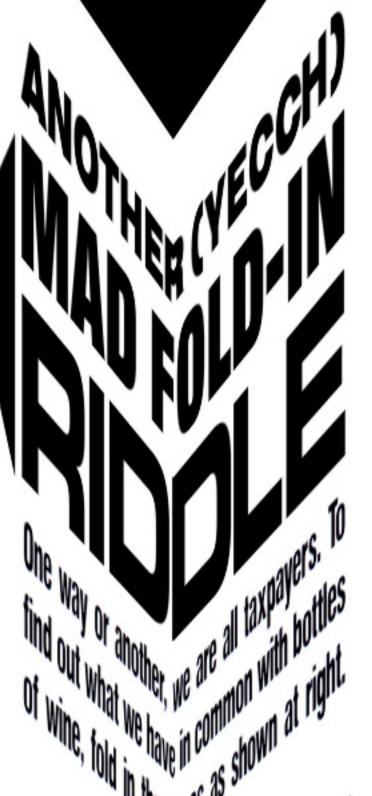
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